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## NAZI, BULGARIAN TROOPS CONSOLIDATING POSITIONS ON GREEK, TURCO BORDERS

### Germans Occupy Important Ports On The Black Sea

GERMAN AND BULGARIAN TROOPS ARE CONSOLIDATING THEIR POSITIONS ALONG THE GREEK AND TURKISH BORDERS, STATES A MESSAGE FROM SYDNEY. TURKEY HAS MOVED HER TROOPS TO THE BULGARIAN FRONTIER AND HAS CALLED UP HER NAVAL RESERVES.

Believing that her shore force will give more power to her diplomatic drive, Germany has now turned the full force of her threats to Yugoslavia.

NEWS OF THE BRITISH REACTION IS SCARCE, BUT FROM THE DETERMINED ATTITUDE OF GREECE AND TURKEY, HITLER WILL KNOW THAT PLANS FOR BRITISH CO-OPERATION ON THE NORTHERN SHORES OF THE MEDITERRANEAN ARE COMPLETE.

The message went on to state that, besides a formidable land force, the Germans have concentrated 600 planes on the Greek frontier. Along the Turkish frontier the Bulgarians are reported to have stationed seven divisions.

### CURTAIN IS RAISED ON NEW DRAMA

#### RELIANCE ON OUR OWN STRENGTH

Mr. L. S. Amery, Secretary of State for India, stated in London yesterday, "To the sound of German tanks and guns rumbling across Bulgaria the curtain has risen to a new act in the world drama," states a London message.

Mr. Amery said that sooner than try a desperate blitz Hitler may attempt to bring Britain to her knees without an invasion.

### DARLAN IN PARIS ON 5TH VISIT

Making his fifth visit from Vichy since Christmas, Admiral Darlan, Vice-Premier, is once again in Paris for fresh talks, states a London message. He was to have lunch with M. Pierre Laval yesterday.

Admiral Darlan stated that from now on he will make frequent visits in order to make contact with the occupying authorities.

Apparently, the hope of seeing M. Laval in power again has not been abandoned.—(Special)

### MR. CURRIE IN MANILA

Mr. Laughlin Currie, President Roosevelt's personal envoy to China, has arrived in Manila from where he was expected to leave for the United States yesterday, states a message from Saigon.

Mr. Currie is taking with him a personal message from Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek to Mr. Roosevelt.—(Special)

### CHOLERA CASES IN CELLS

Two cases of cholera were reported in the cells of the Central Police Station yesterday. The Police had notified that no food was permitted to be brought to the prisoners by visitors.

TWO IMPORTANT BULGARIAN PORTS ON THE BLACK SEA HAVE BEEN COMPLETELY OCCUPIED BY THE NAZIS AND A NUMBER OF GERMAN SUBMARINES, WHICH WERE AT CONSTANZA, HAVE BEEN MOVED DOWN TO THESE PORTS. IT IS ALSO REPORTED THAT GERMAN NAVAL UNITS HAVE NOW REACHED ITALY.—(SPECIAL)

POSSIBLE WARNING  
WASHINGTON, Mar. 4 (Reuter)—Some quarters interpret the Soviet statement to Bulgaria as a possible warning to keep hands off Turkey and the Dardanelles, but informed sources doubt whether Moscow will interfere actively with any German thrust to Greece.

IMPORTANT REASSURANCE  
LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter)—News of the Soviet condemnation of Bulgaria's action of letting in German troops arrived too late for general editorial comment.

The DAILY TELEGRAPH, however, says: "The news will be received in Turkey as an important reassurance on the security of her north-east frontier."

In the News-Chronicle, Mr. Vernon Bartlett writes: "It may be intended as a warning to Germany, but it is safer to remember it may also be the Kremlin's excuse for failure to support a country, which, by language and perhaps by sympathy, is the most closely allied of all Slav countries to Russia."

### FREE FRENCHMEN IN P.I.

The Free French Movement now has a branch in the Philippine Islands, states a London message. Their aim is to help the cause of Britain which is the cause of France and of all other free nations of the world.—(Special)

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### BREAK IN DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS

#### AT DISCRETION OF MR. RENDEL

The severance of diplomatic relations between Britain and Bulgaria are still in the hands of Mr. George W. Rendel, British Minister in Sofia, states a London message.

It is left to his discretion to judge the moment when such action should be taken.

The Germans believe that the break will come within the next 24 hours.

Yesterday's German High Command communique states that the march of German troops into Bulgaria continues according to plan.

The German News Agency reports that King Boris watched the march of Nazi troops into the capital with interest. He chatted with German officers to whom he gratuitously gave his autograph.—(Special)

PREPARING TO LEAVE  
SOFIA, Mar. 4 (Reuter)—With the rupture of diplomatic relations between Britain and Bulgaria imminent, the British colony in Sofia spent Monday preparing for their departure, probably for Istanbul, via Buryas, and apart from the Legation, and Consular staffs totalling 50 only three Britons are at present in Sofia.

## Immigration Commission Inquiry Open To Public

Interviewed by a Hongkong Daily Press reporter yesterday, Sir Atholl MacGregor, Chairman of the Commission of Inquiry appointed by Government to "enquire into the various allegations which have recently been made against the Immigration Officer and his staff," stated that the Commission will, in all likelihood, hold its first sitting next week.

Instructions have been given, said Sir Atholl, to the Secretary of the Commission to advertise in the local newspapers when the date has been decided on by the other official members, "who are all business men," inviting the public to attend and to give evidence before the Commission.

The meetings will be held in either the Council Chamber (Colonial Secretariat), or in the Supreme Court, and will be open to the public. Representatives of the Press, said Sir Atholl, will be given full liberty to take down the proceedings, as in a Court case, with perhaps one or two exceptions when the members of the Commission might decide to ask some questions in camera. In the latter case, evidence will be heard either in Chambers or in the room adjoining the Council Chamber.

### NAZI LEGATION STAFF 300

The German Legation staff in Tokyo now numbers 300 and full pressure is being exerted on the Japanese Government, states a message from Sydney. The feeling of the Japanese population against the Allies is now being planned by Nazi propaganda.—(Special)

### ADMINISTRATION FOR ITALIAN SOMALILAND

Italian Somaliland will soon come under administration similar to that which is being successfully carried out in Cyrenaica, states a London message. Where conditions like peace-time have been established.

Under International Law, it is pointed out, occupation of enemy territory is not annexation and, therefore, the population are not subjects of the administrator.—(Special)

### CENTENARY STAMPS

283,440 First Day Issue Sold

A Hongkong Daily Press reporter was informed by an official of the General Post Office yesterday that 283,440 special Centenary stamps, to the total value of \$49, 254.89, were sold on the First Day of Issue, Feb. 26, including those sold on the previous evening in blocks of 80 stamps.

The number of sheets, of different denominations, sold were:—  
382 sheets of 2 cents,  
1,045 sheets of 4 cents,  
964 sheets of 5 cents,  
656 sheets of 15 cents,  
604 sheets of 25 cents, and  
472 sheets of 1 dollar.

"The demand for these stamps has been tremendous, and the pressure on our counters has not relaxed during the last few days," stated the official.

"As a matter of fact, I think we are about out of stock on our 5-cents stamps. But," he added, "we are expecting to receive the balance of our order soon."

### MR. TAHOURDIN

SHANGHAI, Mar. 4 (Reuter)—Mr. John G. Tahourdin, Private Secretary to Sir Archibald Clerk, British Ambassador to China, arrived here this afternoon from Hongkong.

## Firm Turkish Stand Causes Anxiety To Germany: Courier Flies To Istanbul With Message From Hitler

### REAL REASON FOR ENTRY INTO BULGARIA

GERMANY'S ANXIETY OVER THE FIRM STAND TAKEN BY TURKEY IS SEEN IN THE ARRIVAL OF a German plane in Istanbul with, it is believed, a courier bearing a message from HERR HITLER to PRESIDENT INONU, states a London message.

The plane is expected in Ankara and the Germans are seeking permission from the authorities for it to land there.

There are, naturally, a flood of rumours about what the message from Hitler contains, these ranging from bribes by Germany to threats.

Everything indicates that the Germans are happy about the temper of Turkey as amplified by the Ankara Radio, which declared that the entry of German troops into Bulgaria was yet another murder of a small State's freedom.



PRESIDENT INONU

THE REAL REASON FOR THE GERMAN ENTRY INTO BULGARIA WAS THAT THE NAZI LEADERS HAD DECIDED THAT VICTORY IN THE WEST WAS IMPOSSIBLE AND FEELERS MUST BE PUT OUT ELSEWHERE IN ORDER TO LOOK FOR CHINKS IN BRITAIN'S ARMOUR.

The Ankara broadcast added that Bulgarians might honestly believe that they might be immune from war under the German jackboot but they would soon wake up to find that their country was a theatre of war with all its implications and horror.

The latest German operations have still not altered the final outcome one jot for Turkey.

The only Germans still in Sofia are staff officers and Bulgarians are growing the windows of cafes watching their Axis guests doing justice to Bulgarian food. Further rationing in Bulgaria is considered almost certain.

### DIPLOMATIC LEAD

The visit of Mr. Eden, British Foreign Secretary, and General Sir John Dill to Athens shows that British diplomacy continues to take the lead. Now it is thought that the Foreign Secretary is in the Near East to co-ordinate military, naval and air force policy in conjunction with Britain's friends and allies.—(Special)

### IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

ISTANBUL, Mar. 4 (Reuter)—It is stated that the German courier, who arrived by plane with a message for the Turkish President was Dr. Pfister, of the Wilhelmstrasse, who is reported to be the bearer of important documents for Herr Von Papen, the German Ambassador.

### PROOF OF STRIKING POWER OF THE R.A.F.

The attack on COLOGNE, important German war production centre, for the third time in a week, and more raids on the docks at BREEST and on aerodromes in NORTH FRANCE, are further proof of the striking power of the Royal Air Force, states a London message.

The industrial areas in Cologne were hit, and many fires started. The invasion ports of Boulogne and Ostend were also attacked by British bombers.

From these operations two of our aircraft are missing.

### BOMBS ON CARDIFF

Air activity over England on Monday night was on a small scale, states an Air Ministry communique.

Cardiff was raided and churches, shops and houses were damaged. All the fires caused by the raid were put out in a few hours. One raider was brought down.

### CRASH IN IRE

There were spasmodic raids from the S. E. coast of Scotland to the S. E. of England.

A German bomber crashed in County Wexford, Ire, and four members of the crew were interned. A fifth was killed.

A number of German airmen are now prisoners of war in Ire following crashes there.—(Special)

## Enemy Exaggeration Of Shipping Losses Much Less Than Usual

THE ENEMY EXAGGERATION of British shipping losses during the week ended Feb. 23 was much less, states a London message.

Admiralty figures issued revealed that 14 SHIPS, of just under 61,000 tons, comprising 13 BRITISH, of just under 54,000 tons and the other ALLIED, were sunk by enemy action during the period under review.

The message added that it will be recalled that Hitler claimed British shipping had lost 215,000 tons in two days but this was later changed by the Axis Propaganda Ministry to 250,000.

When the head of a State exaggerates to that extent what reliance can be placed on the figures put out by Dr. Goebbels?

Referring to the attack by German submarines on a convoy off the Azores on Feb. 12, the Admiralty announced yesterday that only seven out of 18 ships were lost in the attack.

Two ships unaccounted for must be presumed lost. These were added to the losses for the week ended Feb. 16 making the total 13 British and two Allied of a total tonnage of 54,000.—(Special)

## Today's News Summary

HITLER HAS SENT A COURIER by air to Istanbul with a message for the President of Turkey. The firm stand taken by Turkey following the latest Nazi operations is causing the Germans anxiety. Meanwhile, British plans for co-operation in the north-eastern Mediterranean are complete.

GERMAN AND BULGARIAN TROOPS are reported to be consolidating their positions along the Greek and Turkish frontiers. The Germans have 600 planes and the Bulgarians seven divisions.

THE ITALIANS HAVE OVER FOUR hundred thousand troops in Albania without taking into consideration reserve forces. There are altogether 24 divisions.

CARDIFF SUFFERED A SHARP RAID and churches, shops and houses were damaged but the fires caused were soon brought under control.

THE STRIKING POWER OF THE R.A.F. was once again demonstrated in attacks on Cologne, which was raided for the third time in a week, and Boulogne and Ostend.



# Muddling Methods Of A.R.P. Department

## RECENT CENSURE OF SHELTER CONSTRUCTIONS JUSTIFIED

THE RECENT OUTSPOKEN ATTACK ON THE A.R.P. DEPARTMENT BY A LEADING MEMBER OF THE KOWLOON COMMUNITY at the annual meeting of the Kowloon Residents' Association—a civic body that has become, more or less, the equivalent to the County Council at Home—has drawn attention to the muddling methods of this department which, during the current financial year, will cost the Hongkong taxpayers \$6,000,000 to keep going!

On his arrival in Hongkong, in 1937, Wing-Comdr. H. S. Steele-Perkins gave as his considered opinion that it was impossible, and impracticable, for Hongkong, to have any air-raid tunnels as the majority of the houses are so built that any digging under ground would seriously affect the buildings. Householders, and shop-keepers were advised to be so prepared that they could, as it were, evacuate their premises within three minutes of the first warning!

A terrific outcry against this was raised by the public—the Chinese Chamber of Commerce taking the lead in condemning such a sweeping statement; but the Director of A.R.P. was adamant.

A brief visit to Chungking—one of the most bombed cities in the Far East—fired Wing-Comdr. Steele-Perkins with a new enthusiasm for tunnels and shelters, and all his pre-conceived ideas went by the board. He was also imbued with the policy of dispersing the population to the surrounding hills to centres where water, food, and other essentials would be stored. This latter policy was, for some reason or the other, also abandoned, and the construction of shelters and tunnels proceeded with at break-neck speed.

**ORNAMENTAL STEPS!** Taking the topography of Hongkong into consideration, there could be little argument against the decision to construct the tunnels, each capable of accommodating between 5,000 and 10,000 people. Dug deep into the side of the hills, these tunnels would prove a real blessing to the residents of congested areas—provided that ornamental steps, like those outside the one at Gascoigne Road, are not likewise constructed!

But the shelters, capable of only according protection against bombs, and shrapnel, falling without 50 feet depth, and never did nor ever will, protect the public with any degree of confidence in their ability to fulfil the purpose for which they have been erected at such a tremendous expenditure of public funds.

**LAMENTABLE JUDGMENT** To begin with, the choice of sites showed a most lamentable lack of judgment on the part of those

responsible for the planning of these shelters. Judging by those already erected, and in the course of construction, it would appear that the official or officials responsible was only determined to have the pen-shelters erected on every available open space irrespective of whether it was suitable or otherwise.

No imagination whatsoever is needed to visualise the fate of those seeking refuge in one of the numerous shelters erected between two blocks of old Chinese tenement houses (which are, in themselves, regular death-traps), should a bomb be dropped within 100 yards of those houses. On the other hand, imagination has to be given full rein before the safety afforded by shelters constructed next to gasoline filling-stations, in narrow blind alleys, or adjoining industrial plants like the Green Island Cement Co.'s factory, could be seen!

**MIS-USE OF SHELTERS** As to those built on the children's playgrounds in Hongkong and Kowloon, they have been so mis-used as to make their thorough overhaul a question of utmost importance before they could be used as air-raid shelters!

At one of the weekly Press conferences, the Director of A.R.P. stated that the shelters could be used, in peace time, as market stalls, but definitely not as street sleepers' shelters! That some of these shelters—especially those near the Wanchai Market—are being used as vegetable-hawkers' go-downs could be seen by a visit to those shelters, as the claim of the hawkers to the use of the shelters appear to be such that they did not even move out when His Excellency, accompanied by members of his Executive and Legislative Councils made a tour of inspection some time ago.

Perhaps members of the Financial Committee of the Legislative Council could inform the public as to (1) the cost of these shelters, (2) whether tenders were called for, (3) if not, how was the contract awarded, and (4) who are the contractors?

**HOME FOOTBALL FIXTURES** LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuters)—The following are the fixtures for this Saturday, March 8:—

**WAR CUP** Second Round (South) Arsenal v. Watford; Chelsea v. Brentford; Leicester v. Notts F.; Mansfield v. West Brom; Northampton v. Tottenham. Queen's P. R. v. Aldershot; Reading v. Cardiff; West Ham v. Southend.

(North) Barnsley v. Grimsby; Blackburn v. Manchester C.; Middlesbrough v. Leeds; New Brighton v. Tranmere; Newcastle v. York; Preston N.E. v. Bolton; Sheffield U. v. Hull; Southampton v. Everton.

**LEAGUE, SOUTH** Brighton v. Southampton; Portsmouth v. Luton.

**SOUTH REGIONAL** Crystal Pal. v. Millwall; Walsall v. Stoke.

**NORTH REGIONAL** Bradford C. v. Bradford; Burnley v. Oldham; Chester v. Blackpool; Crewe v. Rochdale; Liverpool v. Chesterfield.

**SCOTTISH CUP** Celtic v. Motherwell; Partick v. Airdrie; Morton v. Albion; Hamilton v. St. Mirren; Falkirk v. Third Lanark; Dumbarton v. Glasgow Rangers; Hibernian v. Hearts; Park v. Clyde.

The rugby match between the Royal Engineers and Royal Scots, in the Army Large Units League, scheduled to be played at Sookun-poo at 4.30 p.m. yesterday, was postponed to today at the same time and place.

# ENGLISH ASSCN. MEETING

## Interesting Talk On Samuel Butler

An interesting paper on Samuel Butler, the author of "Erewhon," was read yesterday by Mr. Edgar Davidson before the monthly meeting, at the Helena May Institute, of the Hongkong Branch of the English Association.

His subject, Mr. Davidson said, was not the only Butler in literature and, as he was one of the least known of them, it would be wise first to include his dates, 1835 to 1902, in the title.

Samuel Butler was born in 1835 the grandson of the famous Dr. Butler, headmaster of Shrewsbury and Bishop of Lichfield, and was educated at Shrewsbury and St. John's College, Cambridge. He was intended for the Church but refused to take orders and went to New Zealand sheep-farming instead.

Samuel Butler did very well in New Zealand, but realising that good times do not last, returned to London and took chambers in Clifford's Inn, in which he lived for the rest of his life.

**LIFE'S WORK** Writing was his principal life's work. He was a brilliant, original and witty writer and the most striking aspect of him was his failure to obtain the recognition he deserved.

"What reputation Butler has apart of course from his small circle of admirers," Mr. Davidson continued, "rests upon his satire Erewhon. But the success of Erewhon with the public was due to its having been published anonymously. Butler himself said that the reviewers had to be fair to it because they could not be sure that it had not been written by someone respectable."

Actually it was believed to be the work of Lord Lytton. When it came out that it was the work of an unknown author the sales dropped from 50 copies a week to two or three.

"Erewhon" was a story of adventure in a new country among a strange people. "Erewhon" was Butler's only success, and even so it did not make money. His only novel, "The Way of All Flesh," was published after his death.

In 1897, Butler wrote the "Authors of the Odyssey." This was in some ways the most interesting of Butler's works. In this book, Mr. Davidson concluded, Butler records the fair sex the distinction of having produced the second poet in the world, second only to the author of the Iliad.

Among those who took part in the discussion that followed were Mr. B.G. Birch, Prof. R.K.M. Simpson, Mrs. Davidson, and Mr. H.C. Macnamara, who also presided at the meeting.

The next meeting of the Hongkong branch of the English Association will be held on Tuesday, April 8, at the Helena May Institute, when Mr. Norman MacKenzie will read a paper on "Tales of Travel."

# PASTOR MAY MEET LOUIS

Mike Jacobs, prominent fight promoter, announced in New York that Bob Pastor might meet Joe Louis for the world's heavyweight title in Los Angeles on April 15.

Jacobs said that Pastor would be matched in Los Angeles unless Arturo Godoy immediately withdraws his request for the postponement until early May of his scheduled clash with Louis in Los Angeles.

Jacobs meanwhile announced that he had matched Lou Nova and Max Baer for a 15 round challenger battle in New York's Madison Square Garden on April 4. The winner will meet Louis for the title September, Jacobs said.

# QUEEN'S COLLEGE ANNUAL SPORTS

The Queen's College annual sports will be held on Saturday March 15, at the Queen's College Ground, Causeway Bay, at 2 p.m.

Two events have been provided for Old Boys, the 100 yards Handicap and the Spoon Potato Race. Tea will be served about 4 p.m. Prizes will be distributed by Mrs. K. L. Chan.

# Shumchun Rural Welfare Centre: Instruction Given At Sheung Shui Farm

Over 70 children up to age of 17 are working in the fields of the Sheung Shui Farm of the Shumchun Rural Welfare Centre. The temporary headquarters of the Centre are also located there. These children were formerly students of the Centre in the schools maintained in Chinese territory. They are now being instructed in farming at the Centre.

The Centre has provided soya bean from which they will manufacture milk for their canteen for refreshment during their working hours. Milk will also be distributed to nursing mothers who are from the villages of Shumchun.

**CONTACT WITH THE LAND** The land is on the British side of the frontier and covers an area of 25 mow. It is well supplied with water and the young farmers will create their own irrigation system. They will also learn how to treat night soil before using it on the fields, and will be able to gain the same experience as if they were living their lives on the fields tilled by their fathers in Shumchun.

In the view of the Centre it is important that these young children of the rural areas retain their close contact with the land and never cease to engage in the many-sided activities that are necessary for them to perform if they are to be successful farmers when they return to their villages.

In addition to training these youngsters on the land the Shumchun Rural Welfare Centre will maintain some of its cattle at the Sheung Shui Farm for the use of farmers who have no plough animals.

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# ARMY SNOOKER LEAGUE

The following are the results of games in the Garrison Snooker League played on March 3:—R.A. Serpts. Mess, Stanley, 2 points, R.E. Serpts. 4 points; R.E. "A" 2 points, C.M. Police 4 points; Signals Cpls. 2 points, R.A.M.C. 4 points.

**TABLE TO DATE**

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
R.A.M.C.	8	5	1	3	38
R.E. Serpts. Mess	9	5	2	2	33
C.M. Police	8	2	2	4	24
R.E. "A" Team	3	2	2	4	24
R.A. Serpts. Stanley	7	2	1	4	22
R.A.F.C.	6	2	3	3	21
Signals Corporals	9	2	5	2	21
Signals "A" Team	8	2	6	-	17

The Centre has already arranged for the acquisition of thoroughbred imported swine. It is hoped that after a few months the pure bred boars will be permitted to serve selected sows owned by the farmers of the New Territories free of charge. In due course information will be given of the system that will be employed for the obtaining of such free service of the pedigree boars of the Centre.

**IMPORTED SWINE** In the opinion of Mr. Percy Chen, the Chairman, rural welfare work in the New Territories is much simpler than in such areas as Shumchun where pauperisation has left the countryside without the bare necessities for the development of the agricultural industry.

In Hongkong the rural and urban economies are more or less balanced. The lot of the farmers in the New Territories is about 300 per cent. better than the lot of his

# SPORTING FIXTURES

TODAY:

**BADMINTON** — "B" Division, Victoria R.C. v. Jewish R.C.; King's College v. Club de Recoelo; Kowloon C.C. v. St. John's; Police v. St. Andrew's, Friendly, European Y.M.C.A. v. Middlesex Sergeants (West Lounge) 8 p.m.

**RUGBY** — Army Large Units League, Combined Royal Artillery v. Middlesex Regiment (Sookunpoo) 3 p.m.

**SWIMMING** — European Y. M. C. A. Winter Swimming, Instructional Classes (5.30 p.m.—8.30 p.m.).

**WATER-POLO** — European Y. M. C. A. v. Middlesex Regiment ("Y" pool) 7.15 p.m.

use of fertiliser and particularly teach the farmers methods of neutralising the harmful elements in night soil, as well as the manufacture of valuable manure from organic matter found in the rural areas.

Fourthly, to improve the swine of the New Territories. This can be done by the maintaining of pure bred boars which will serve the native sows of the farmers free of charge. It is in this last named sphere that our Centre will carry out work. And with the experience gained here and with the bred of thoroughbred and selected half breeds which we shall accumulate on our farms we shall be able to assist in rehabilitating our ruined farmlands in Shumchun after the war."

# ADVERTISEMENTS

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the First Extra Race Meeting to be held, weather permitting, on Saturday, 15th March, 1941. (POSTPONED FROM SATURDAY, 8th MARCH, 1941) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road. Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on THURSDAY, 6th March, 1941.

By Order,  
C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.

## THE FANLING HUNT & RACE CLUB

Owing to the change in the dates of other Racing Fixtures, the Kwant March Meeting fixed for 16th March, is postponed to 23rd March.

Entries will close at noon on Tuesday, 11th March for all races, except Race No. 3 (The Kangaroo Cup), entries for which will close on Tuesday, 18th March.

By Order,  
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## COMING EVENTS

MAR.

5—Tides: High 1.02 p.m. and 1.15 a.m. Low 6.44 a.m. and 3.57 p.m.  
Sunrise: 6.02 a.m.; Sunset: 6.28 p.m.  
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.).  
Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

Group Discussion at St. Andrew's Church—"Man" (Dr. S. G. Kirby-Gomes), 8.30 p.m.  
Annual Meeting of D.B.S. Old Boys Assn., China Merchants Club, 5.15 p.m.

British Medical Assn. Annual Meeting, School of Anatomy, H.K. University, 9.15 p.m.

Cheero Club Dance, 8.30 p.m.  
Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals Annual Fund Day, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and 2 to 4 p.m.  
St. John's Cathedral, Intercession, 5.30 p.m.

6—Tides: High 2.05 p.m. and 2.06 a.m. Low 6.51 a.m. and 10.37 p.m.  
Sunrise: 6.40 a.m.; Sunset: 6.29 p.m.  
H.K. Y's Men's Club, Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.

Vocal Recital by Y. K. Sze, Peninsula Hotel, 9.15 p.m.  
Legislative Council Meeting, Council Chambers.

H.K. University Club general meeting, Union Assembly Room, 8.15 p.m.  
Dance for Seafarers, Sailors' Home and Seamen's Institute, 9 p.m.

7—Tides: High 4.30 p.m. and 3.11 a.m. Low 6.52 a.m. and 11.54 p.m.  
Sunset: 6.40 a.m.; Sunset: 6.29 p.m.  
Auxiliary Nursing Service Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 9 p.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.). Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

8—Tides: High 4.27 a.m. and 4.27 p.m. Sunrise: 6.39 a.m.; Sunset: 6.30 p.m.  
Annual Meeting of Bank of East Asia, Ltd., 2 p.m.

Business Girls' Club, Supper Dance in aid of Y.W.C.A. Finance Campaign, Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

9—Tides: High 4.02 a.m. and 5.43 p.m. Low 12.46 p.m. and 11.07 a.m.  
Sunrise: 6.38 a.m.; Sunset: 6.30 p.m.  
Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, 9 p.m.

10—Tides: High 3.07 a.m. and 6.47 p.m. Low 1.29 a.m. and 12.28 p.m.  
Sunrise: 6.37 a.m.; Sunset: 6.31 p.m.  
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.). Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

11—Tides: High 3.27 a.m. and 7.44 p.m. Low 2.07 a.m. and 12.7 p.m.  
Sunrise: 6.36 a.m.; Sunset: 6.31 p.m.  
H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.

Spring Meeting of Ladies' Section of R.H.K.C.C.

12—Tides: High 3.53 a.m. and 8.37 p.m. Low 2.44 a.m. and 2.16 p.m.  
Sunrise: 6.36 a.m.; Sunset: 6.32 p.m.  
Group Discussion at St. Andrew's Church—"Woman" (Brigadier Darby), 8.30 p.m.

13—Tides: High 3.28 a.m. and 9.20 p.m. Low 3.18 a.m. and 3.03 p.m.  
Sunrise: 6.35 a.m.; Sunset: 6.32 p.m.

14—Tides: High 10.01 a.m. and 10.17 p.m. Low 3.54 a.m. and 3.48 p.m.  
Sunrise: 6.34 a.m.; Sunset: 6.32 p.m.  
Claims against estate of Capt. George Alfred Evans die.

Lecture: Prof. W. Brown on "James Watt," Talko Club, 9.15 p.m.  
Annual Dinner of Northumberland and Durham Assn., H.K. Hotel Roof Garden.

15—Tides: High 10.38 a.m. and 11.07 p.m. Low 4.27 a.m. and 1.26 p.m.  
Sunrise: 6.33 a.m.; Sunset: 6.33 p.m.  
China - Provident Annual Meeting (Jacobean Room, H.K. Hotel), 12 noon.

H.K. Jockey Club, First Extra-Meeting, Happy Valley.

16—Tides: High 11.14 a.m. and 4.57 p.m. Low 5.02 a.m. and 5.26 p.m.  
Sunrise: 6.32 a.m.; Sunset: 6.33 p.m.

17—Tides: High 11.57 a.m. Low 5.31 a.m. and 6.18 p.m.  
and 6.18 p.m.

## HE STAYED FOR BREAKFAST

Loretta Young, who shot to a new fame with her comedy role in Columbia's "The Doctor Takes a Wife," and Melvyn Douglas, who already possesses a distinguished record as one of Hollywood's most gifted farceurs, are the new comedy starring combination of Columbia's "He Stayed for Breakfast," which opens today at the King's Theatre.

Hailed as one of the season's most delightful love-on-the-run laughfests, "He Stayed for Breakfast" was directed by Alexander Hall with a supporting cast which includes Alan Marshal, Eugene Pallette and Una O'Connor.

Set in a Paris background, the new comedy hilariously describes the romance of a politically-conscious cafe waiter and the estranged wife of a pompous banker. Douglas, in the former role, is a fugitive from the law for having taken a pot-shot at the financier; Miss Young connives at his escape and, in the end, takes a shot at the financier herself! But between the hectic beginning and the hilarious ending of "He Stayed for Breakfast" there is said to be an immeasurable quantity of great, good humour, of delightful witty dialogue, and of happy novel situations.

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12.30 Dance Music by the B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.

Quickstep — There's No Time Like the Present (film "Music hath charms"; Fox-Trot — Just Little Rile and Pieces (film "Music hath charms"). Comedy Novelty — A Feather in Her Tyrolean Hat; Comedy Walk — The Travelling Salesman Quickstep — Many Happy Returns of the Day; I'm Feeling Happy (both from "Music hath charms"). Fox-Trot — Alone at a Table for Two; Waltz — Lovely Lady (film "King of Burlesque"); Fox-Trot — Jack-in-the-box.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Elsie and Doris Waters in Variety.

Comedienne — Darts with Gert and Daisy — Elsie & Doris Waters. Piano Accordion — Get into the Spirit of Spring (Parker and Charles); Don't Ever Pass Me By (Gay and Others); London Piano-Accordion Band. Vocal — So Many Memories (Woods); Outside an old stage Door (Pattison and Others); Ralph Silvester with Orchestra. Trumpet — High Hat, Trumpet and Rhythm; Until the Real Thing Comes Along (Freeman & Others) — Valaida (Queen of the Trumpet) with Swing accompaniment. Comedienne — Gert and Daisy "Spring Cleaning"; That's The Worst of Having People Upstairs — Elsie and Doris Waters with Piano.

1.30 Review and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Half an hour with Chopin.

Etude No. 1 in F Minor; Etude No. 3 in D Flat Major — Irene Scharrer (Piano). Polonaise Militaire in A Major — Boston Promenade Orchestra cond. by Arthur Fiedler. Polonaise in A Flat Major, Op. 53 — Ignace Jan Paderewski (Piano). Tristezza — Tino

Ross (Tenor) with Orchestra. Nocturne in E Flat, Op. 9, No. 2 — Emanuel Feuermann (Cello) with Piano. Prelude in C Minor, Op. 28, No. 20; Mazurka in A Minor, Op. 68, No. 2 — John Hunt (Piano).

2.15 Close down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Compositions of Haydn.

Menuet — Pablo Casals (Cello) with Piano act. With Venture Chad (from "The Creation") — Helene Lindolph (Soprano) with Orchestra. Symphony No. 80 in D Minor — 1st Mov: Allegro spiritoso; 2nd Mov: Adagio; 3rd Mov: Menuetto; 4th Mov: Presto — Orchestra of New Friends of Music cond. by Fritz Stiedry.

7.00 London Relay — The News.

7.15 London Relay — "From the Old Country."

Talk by Robert Donat.

7.30 London Relay — Merry-Go-Lucky.

A Variety Feature.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.05 Mavis Bennett (Soprano) and New Light Symphony Orchestra.

Heart's and Flowers — Intermezzo (Tobani) — New Light Symphony Orchestra. Bird of Love Divine (Haydn); Valley of Laughter (Sander-son) — Mavis Bennett (Soprano) with Piano. Incidental Music to "My Rose" (O'Neill) — New Light Symphony Orchestra. Pretty Mocking Bird (Bishop) — Mavis Bennett (Soprano) with Piano act. Barcarolle (Tales of Hoffmann) — Offenbach — New Light Symphony Orchestra.

8.30 Studio — "Makers of Medicine" No. 3: "Qualified at 13: Living in his Stethoscope, Rene Laennec."

Talk by Father G. Byrne, S.J.

8.50 The Comedy Harmonists.

Salute (de Long and Others); In A Persian Market (Ketebe); Whispering (Schonberger) — with Piano accompaniment.

9.00 London Relay — The News.

9.15 London Relay — "Questions of the Hour."

9.30 Rachmaninoff — Concerto No. 2 in C Minor, Op. 18.

1st Mov: Allegro moderato; 2nd Mov: Adagio sostenuto; 3rd Mov: Al-

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## ITALIAN AIR FORCE SWEEPED OUT OF AFRICAN SKIES

LONDON, March 4 (Reuter)—British bombers, South African fighters and a special Rhodesian squadron are leading in the R.A.F.'s contribution to the British successes in Eritrea, writes Reuter's correspondent on the Sudan-Eritrean Frontier.

For weeks past, our airmen have been running the Italian air force right out of the sky so that today British infantry in the most forward positions seldom see an Italian plane.

Over Keren, British bombers have been in continuous operation despite heavy anti-aircraft fire. They have not only blown up military objectives but have also dropped pamphlets and taken valuable low-flying photographs.

Dominion airmen especially settle down quickly to the local conditions.

I found South African pilots of one fighter squadron, which already has nearly 80 Italian planes to its credit, living in a series of tunnels—Sudanese mud huts—around the aerodrome. They declare that their strange dwellings are both cool and comfortable.

**RHODESIAN SQUADRON**  
The Rhodesian squadron is stationed in a forward position in Eritrea. Its members are also comfortably established. They even have their own refrigerator far from civilisation.

The constant appearance of British bombers and fighters zooming in increasing numbers over the heads of advancing British troops has been very heartening to these men, plodding through in hostile and unfamiliar country.

**ITALIAN LOSSES**  
Over 370 planes were lost by the enemy in the Middle East during February compared with the British losses of 28 machines.

The official return shows that in this war zone, 120 enemy machines were shot down and over

## TURKISH PRESS AND BALKAN DEVELOPMENTS

### Bulgaria's Signature To Axis Deplored

ISTANBUL, Mar. 4 (Reuter)—Bulgaria's adherence to the Axis Pact remains the chief topic in the newspapers here. Vatan describes it as a "prelude to aggression in the Balkans" and adds that Turkey must redouble her vigilance.

Tan emphasises that Bulgaria's signature to the Pact was secured by Germany "long ago" and that only the date of enslavement remained open.

Other papers declare that an explanation is necessary as to why the Bulgarians took this latest action so soon after signing the Turco-Bulgarian Non-Aggression Agreement.

Thus says: "The Turco-Bulgarian Agreement re-affirmed Bulgaria's intention not to resort to war to settle problems with her neighbours but all depends on the acts which the obligations contained in the Tripartite and Bulgarian-Axis Alliance are applied."

"The Anglo-Turkish Alliance has helped to keep the peace in the Balkans and the Near East. Let us hope that Bulgaria will use her influence to sway the Tripartite Pact in favour of peace and that she will succeed."

**RESIGNATION ACCEPTED**  
LONDON, March 4 (Reuter)—Formal acceptance of the resignation of the Bulgarian Minister in London, M. Momtchiloff, was received in London from Sofia yesterday.

M. Momtchiloff telegraphed his resignation to the Bulgarian Government yesterday. It is learned that he disapproves of the government's policy in joining the Axis.

**EX-KING FERDINAND**  
STOCKHOLM, Mar. 4 (Reuter)—The 80-year-old ex-King Ferdinand of Bulgaria, who is living in exile at Coburg, declares that the German-Bulgarian Agreement is justification of his 1914 policy, says the Berlin correspondent of the Aften Bladet.

## POWER POLITICS IN FAR EAST

### THAILAND TO GUARD HER NEUTRALITY

BANGKOK, March 4 (Reuter)—Thailand will do her utmost to avoid being drawn into the vortex of power politics in the Far East and is determined jealously to guard her neutrality.

This statement was made by the Thai Cabinet Minister, Mr. Nai Vilat, in an interview with Reuter.

Commenting on reports that the Vichy Government had accepted Japan's proposals for a settlement of Thailand's territorial dispute with French Indo-China, Mr. Nai Vilat said that officials in Bangkok were still without confirmation from the Thai delegation in Tokyo.

If true, Vichy's acceptance ends a 75-years-old grievance of Siam against France and Mr. Nai Vilat observed: "We hail the news with delight and as a landmark in our history."

**THAI-SOVIET RELATIONS**  
BANGKOK, March 4 (Reuter)—A preliminary agreement between Thailand and Soviet Russia for the resumption of diplomatic and trade relations is understood to have been reached in Moscow.

## Gas-Masks For U.S. Non-Combatants

WASHINGTON, Mar. 4 (Reuter)—Gas-masks for the use of non-combatants in areas under military jurisdiction have been ordered by the United States War Department.

Disclosing this fact yesterday the War Department stated that a "limited quantity" of gas-masks have been ordered.

Of low cost, the masks will be supplied by five manufacturers. No further extension of facilities for the manufacture of gas-masks is contemplated at present.

LONDON, Mar. 4 (BWS)—The Minister of Labour announces that provisional figures of men aged 16, who registered on Feb. 22 totalled 287,361, comprising England 222,732, Scotland 29,338 and Wales 15,291.

## PRESS COMMENTS:

### Bulgaria's Adherence To Axis Will Open Way For R.A.F. Raids On Rumanian Oilfields

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter)—A warning that Bulgaria must take the consequences of her feebleness in allowing the German occupation, sympathy with the Bulgarian people and British preparedness to deal with eventualities in the Balkans, are the keynotes of press comment on the weak-end developments in Bulgaria.

THE DAILY TELEGRAPH says that a formal breach between Britain and Bulgaria is now plainly imminent. When that occurs Britain will be at liberty not only to bomb German military targets in Bulgaria but also to fly over Bulgarian territory to bomb similar targets, including the oilfields in Rumania.

The paper recalls that only four months ago the Bulgarian Parliamentary Foreign Affairs Committee unanimously rejected the proposal to join the Axis Pact. Now the Bulgarian Government has offered no sort of resistance and even made a pretence of welcoming the country's despoilers with open arms. It is impossible not to condole with Bulgarian people on the predicament into which the criminal timidity of their rulers has betrayed them.

Not only have they been formally incorporated in the German lebensraum, but in the war area, Britain has fortunately had sufficient warning to be able to make whatever military preparations were necessary for every contingency and last details were polished up by the visit of Mr. Eden, British Foreign Minister and General Sir John Dill, Chief of Imperial General Staff, to Ankara.

**TRAGEDY OF INDECISION**  
The TIMES describes the Prime Minister, M. Fildes, as an "ingenious instrument of his country's degradation." It says that the tragedy of indecision and pusillanimity is no less grave than the tragedy of ambition and covetousness, which were the motives inspiring Bulgaria when she threw her lot with Germany 25 years ago.

The prospects of compelling disinclined Bulgaria to become an active partner in hostile designs on her neighbours, are not from the Nazi viewpoint particularly bright, but the country is now open to the German army as a base to intimidate other victims.

**NO SURPRISE**  
The act of submission did not come as a surprise to Britain, the timely presence of Mr. Eden and General Sir John Dill in the Near East suggest that fairly accurate guesses had been made as to the moment when it would be reached.

The only Power which seems to have been taken unprepared continues the Times, is Russia. Kremlin authorities have not yet

## WHOLESALE ARRESTS IN RUMANIA

### ALLEGED AGENTS OF BRITAIN

LONDON, March 4 (Reuter)—Some 240 people in Rumania who are suspected of working for British interests, have been arrested and placed in a concentration camp near Targu Jiu, states a Bucharest telegram to the official German agency.

Sixty of the arrests were made in Bucharest, and Greeks, Turks, Armenians and Rumanians are stated to be among those arrested.

**PLEBISCITE**  
BUCHAREST, Mar. 4 (Reuter)—The final result of the plebiscite on General Antonescu's policy will not be known till Thursday, but the voting so far shows almost complete unanimity for the policy, says the Rumanian news agency.

Up to yesterday morning, 116,345 voted approval against 1,655 against.

The voting has been without incident.

## COLONEL DONOVAN IN LONDON

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter)—Colonel W. J. Donovan, the official European observer for President Roosevelt, arrived in London from Lisbon yesterday.

He was in London in August and again in December, and during the intervening periods has visited nearly a dozen capitals.

Colonel Donovan declined to say anything as to the object of his new visit to London or his recent visits to European capitals, but said that he did not expect to be here more than a week.



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## POLICE METHOD OF SEARCHING FOR INCRIMINATING EVIDENCE CLOSELY QUESTIONED BY THE CHIEF JUSTICE

### Accused Salesman Testifies On Capital Charge

The employment by Police of fellow-workers of the accused in searching for incriminating evidence was closely questioned by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday at the continued trial of HO TUNG-HEI, 22, salesman, who is charged with the murder of WOO TUNG-CHIU, 29, accountant of the Chung Wah Book Company, at the firm's godown at No. 3 Gilman's Bazaar on Dec. 5. Another man, Wong Sung-kar, 19, also an employee of the company, was found dead in the premises.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, assisted by Det.-Insp. L. R. Whant, prosecuted, and the accused was represented by Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy, instructed by Mr. J. M. Hall.

The jury comprised Messrs. T. H. Lunson (Foreman), D. Lyon, A. Black, E. F. Passos, V. S. Mamak, G. Gerrard and A. W. W. Salter.

Cheong Cheuk-kan, one of the gatekeepers, said that when accused walk up the stairs of No. 59 Queen's Road Central he appeared tired and was staggering as if he had been drinking.

Sgt. A. F. Cochrane testified that he found a piece of paper with blood stains on accused's bunk. After being cautioned, accused stated: "When I came back this morning there was blood on the paper on my bunk."

In answer to Mr. Fitzroy, witness said that he only found one chopper which was covered with blood.

#### HELP OF FOKIS

Insp. Chu Heung said he went to No. 59 Queen's Road Central shortly after the discovery in the godown. He conducted a search there and enlisted the help of three fokis.

Asked by his Lordship why he allowed the fokis to help in the search, witness said that it was for the purpose of identifying which articles belonged to the fokis. They did nothing else, except to Yeung-hoi, who helped in sweeping the rubbish together, as there was too much refuse.

His Lordship: Then why, after

### INDIAN GUARD DETAINED ON SUSPICION

#### Woman Found With Serious Injuries

The discovery of a 32-year-old Chinese woman, Li Fong, lying in To Kwa Wan Road with serious injuries has resulted in the detention of an Indian guard by the Hongkong Police on Monday night.

The woman was found at about 11 p.m. with severe face and head injuries, apparently inflicted with a dagger or knife, and was taken to Kowloon Hospital. Her condition was described as being serious yesterday.

According to the Police, the woman had made a statement in hospital alleging that she was attacked by an Indian.

About ten minutes after the discovery of the injured woman an Indian guard reported at the Aungmoh Police Station that he had seen three men attacking a woman in To Kwa Wan Road and he was detained by the Police.

### Entertainment Tax Increase Next Month

As from April 1, 1941, the rates of entertainments duty as at present in force will be abolished and new rates will be substituted according to a resolution which the Financial Secretary (Hon. Mr. R. R. Todd) will submit at the Legislative Council meeting tomorrow afternoon at 2.30.

The new rates, which represent a considerable increase, are as follows:

Where the amount of payment for admission, excluding the amount of duty does not exceed 4 cents—free.

Exceeds 4 cents, and does not exceed 10 cents—1 cent.

Exceeds 10 cents, and does not exceed 20 cents—2 cents.

Exceeds 20 cents, and does not exceed 35 cents—5 cents.

Exceeds 35 cents, and does not exceed 60 cents—10 cents.

Exceeds 60 cents, and does not exceed \$1—20 cents.

Exceeds \$1 and does not exceed \$1.40—30 cents.

Exceeds \$1.40 and does not exceed \$2—40 cents.

Exceeds \$2 and does not exceed \$3—50 cents.

Exceeds \$3 and does not exceed \$4—70 cents.

Exceeds \$4 and does not exceed \$5—\$1.

Exceeds \$5—\$1.30 for the first \$5 and 30 cents for each additional dollar or part thereof.

**READINGS OF BILLS**

The Financial Secretary will move the second and third readings of a Bill to apply a sum not exceeding \$52,483,284 to the public service of the financial year beginning on April 1, 1941, and ending on March 31, 1942, and also to apply an additional sum not exceeding \$832,000 to Waterworks Renewals and Improvements Fund for the service of that Fund in the said financial year.

The Attorney General (Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster) will move the second and third readings of a Bill to amend the Medical Registration Ordinance, 1935, and a Bill to amend the Hongkong Corps of Air Raid Wardens Ordinance, 1940.

### C.N.A.C. WRECK LOCATED

It was learned yesterday that the wreck of the missing C. N. A. C. plane which was missing since Feb. 12 had been located by a pilot flying from Kweilin to Hongkong on Sunday.

It was observed on a hillside near the Kwangtung-Kwangsi-Hunan border and search parties have been sent out.

It will be recalled that the missing machine, left Chungking on Feb. 12 with Pilot E. J. Thom, Co-Pilot Paul Chin, wireless operator C. N. Pau and one passenger.

will be novelty bars and competitions to help make the evening a success.

### Claim For Possession Of Premises

#### JUDGMENT FOR PLAINTIFF

A successful claim for the possession of No. 318, Castle Peak Rd., ground floor, was brought before Mr. Justice Williams at the Summary Court yesterday, by So Woon, of No. 244 Castle Peak Road, against the occupier, Lee Sub, proprietor of the Sun Kee barber shop.

Mr. Alfred Y. Hon, represented plaintiff while defendant appeared in person.

The premises, according to the statement of claim, was let to the defendants on a lunar monthly tenancy which was terminated on Dec. 22, 1940, by a notice to quit. The rent was \$32 a month.

#### OPIUM DIVAN

Sgt. Shaw testified that he raided the premises on Nov. 13 last and in the rear portion he found an opium divan.

Defendant said that the reason why plaintiff wanted back the premises was that she desired to start business there or to rent it again at a higher rent.

His Lordship ordered defendant to quit the premises by April 4. Plaintiff was also awarded one month's rent, three months' mesne profits and costs of the action.

### COLONY HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the Return of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the week ended at midnight on March 1:—Cholera, seven cases (five deaths); Diphtheria, seven cases (four deaths); Scarlet Fever (one imported case); Enteric Fever, 14 cases (four deaths); Measles, 11 cases (one death); Chicken-Pox, two cases; Cerebro-Spinal Fever, three cases (two deaths); Dysentery, 43 cases (11 deaths); Tuberculosis, 172 cases (118 deaths and two imported cases).

#### DAILY RETURNS

The Returns for the 24 hours ended at midnight on March 3 are as follows:—Cholera, two cases; Diphtheria, three cases; Enteric Fever, three cases; Measles, two cases; Dysentery, six cases; Tuberculosis, 45 cases.

### POLICE CHANGES

Divisional Inspector A. Wright, of Yaumati, is to proceed on four months' leave today for Australia where he will join his wife and children.

Insp. A. V. Baker, of Kowloon City Police Station, has been appointed Divisional Inspector, Yaumati, while Insp. E. G. Post will take over Inspector Baker's place at Kowloon City.

Mr. Wright, it is understood, will be appointed Divisional Inspector, South, on his return from leave.

### POLICE REPORTS

Mr. W. E. Orchard, of the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., brought to the Central Police Station \$27 in notes, which he said he had picked up in the office at Gloucester Arcade on Monday.

Mr. A. Bone reports that his Morris Minor car No. 3816 was stolen from outside his house at No. 18, Hillwood Road on Monday.

Mrs. R. F. Luz, of No. 2, Peace Avenue, has reported the theft of money and clothing to the total value of \$94 from her house on Monday.

According to a Police report, Nip Mui, 23, room-boy, of No. 2, Kwai Yan Lane, was walking along Graham Street at 1.30 p.m. yesterday. He was accosted by two Chinese males, who said that they were Police officers. One of the two brandished a knife and took away \$1.83 in money from his person. They made off with Nip chasing after them, and one was arrested.

Her friends assert that Miss Caroline Haslett, who has tackled the job of adviser to the British Ministry of Labour on war work for women, is the hardest worked woman in England. Work is not exactly new to her. The first money she earned was ten shillings a week in the London office of a hollemaker. She does not consider women of 50 too old to be trained for munitions work.



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### POLICE RAID ALLEGED CENTRE OF COUNTERFEITERS

#### Five Men & A Woman Charged At Kowloon

In a raid carried out by the Police, at an alleged centre for counterfeiting five-cent coins, purported to be issued by the Hongkong Government, five men and a woman were arrested and moulds for counterfeiting coins and a quantity of chemicals were found in the premises.

Accused, Wan Hei, Wong Cheung, Tam Hoi, Lui Hing, Chan Luen and Ng To, woman, were charged before Mr. H. C. Macnamara yesterday at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court with making 263 counterfeit five-cent coins, possession of same, possession of a mould fit for making counterfeit coins, making four counterfeit coins and possession of same and possession of counterfeiting instruments.

Det.-Sgt. D. G. MacPherson, who conducted the prosecution, said that on information received first, second, four and fifth defendants were arrested at Lai-chikok Road on Feb. 2. Found in first accused's possession were 135 counterfeit coins and one was also found in second defendant's person. In the Police Station they gave their address as No. 110, Kilang Street, second floor.

#### PREMISES RAIDED

The same evening the address was raided and third defendant and the woman were arrested. In the premises 137 counterfeit five-cent coins, wrapped up in a piece of paper, were found in a drawer. Four more counterfeit coins were also found at the bottom of the drawer.

In various parts of the premises, the Police picked up a quantity of chemicals, including tin, lead, antimony, cement, alloys and nitric acid, and two moulds for making counterfeit coins.

#### EXPERT EVIDENCE

Giving evidence, Mr. John Redman, Government Chemist, said that the coins were counterfeit but they were not very good imitations of the genuine coins. However, the moulds were quite well made.

After further evidence, hearing was adjourned until tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 p.m.

### A.N.S. Dance On Friday

THE FIRST CABARET SUPPER DANCE to be staged by the AUXILIARY NURSING SERVICE at the PENINSULA HOTEL on FRIDAY NIGHT, in aid of the Bomber Fund, will enjoy the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Acting Governor, Lieut.-General E. F. Norton, C. B., D. S. O., M. C.

Members of the A. N. S. will act as hostesses at the dance, but a departure from the usual custom at similar functions will be the fact that no charge will be levied on gentlemen desiring to dance with the girls who are "blessings and curses, are amateur nurses, but given a chance—can dance!"

The hostesses will wear the Service's badge pinned to their evening frock. Attractive cabaret items will be presented, and there

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## HONGKONG &amp; SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

The Final Dividend declared for the Year ending 31st December, 1940, at the rate of Two Pounds Ten Shillings Sterling at exchange 1/2.7/8 is payable on and after the 26th February, 1941, at the Offices of the Corporation, where shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

V. M. GRAYBURN,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1941.

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## THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

## NOTICE.

It is hereby notified that the following increases in the Company's standard charges will be made for current consumed in respect of accounts issued for meters read on and after 21st March, 1941:—

1. For Lighting from 15 cents to 16 cents per unit.
2. For Power & Heating from 5 cents to 5½ cents per unit.
3. The discount of 10% on Power accounts in excess of 1,000 units per month will be discontinued.

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## PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 10th day of March, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Island Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 21 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Containing in Acres	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	No. 116	Island Road, Adjoining Rural Building Lot No. 205 Deep Water Bay	N. 1/2 S. 1/2 E. 1/2 W. 1/2 ft. ft. ft. ft.	11.700	39	985
			As per sale plan.			

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$39 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## ANNUAL NAVAL CONTRACTS

Sealed tenders are invited for the following contracts covering the period 1st April, 1941, to 31st March, 1942:—

- Labour & Lighterage for Admiralty Coaling.
- Timber & Timber Materials.
- Making Overalls.
- Oxygen Gas.
- Carbonic Acid Gas.
- Ammonia Gas.
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- Glass Sheet.
- Supply & Repair of Bamboo Sunblinds.
- Upholstery Work.
- Dyeing & Dry-Cleaning.
- Washing.
- Paraffin (Ordinary Quality).
- Mineral Tar.

Forms of tender may be obtained until 8th March, 1941, on application to the Naval Store Officer, H.M. Naval Yard, by whom quotations will be received until noon on the dates specified on individual tenders.

The right is reserved of declining the whole or any portion of any tenders and of accepting any portion of a tender.

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## NEWSETTES

The Sailors Home and Mission to Seamen will hold a dance for seafarers tomorrow, March 6, at 9 p.m. at the Sailors' Home and Seamen's Institute.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Shanghai American Club was held on February 23, at 5.30 p.m. for the purpose of considering an offer received for the purchase of the club premises. The club will not be dissolved if a sale is consummated, but will secure another location suitable for its purposes.

A Hongkong branch of the Chinese Electrical Engineers' Society has been organised. Mr. Lu Tsuyi has been elected Chairman, Mr. Chang Yen-hsiang, Vice-Chairman, Mr. Shen Sze-fang, secretary, and Mr. Yu Chang-chu, treasurer.

The forthcoming marriage between Mr. Alexander Charles Campbell, master mariner, of No. 8 Lau Sin Street, second floor, and Miss Gertrude Maria Carmo, clerk, of No. 7 Seen Kien Terrace, top floor, was announced at the Registry yesterday.

## This Has Not Happened, But It Can

Let us suppose that we send no more help, or not much help, to Britain, writes the New York Times; that Britain is conquered; that time rolls on, and that Hitler is able with the combined military and economic power of Europe plus Britain to impose his will on the United States; that New Zealand remains for the moment outside his grasp; that New Zealand has radio stations powerful enough to reach this coast easily; that the New Zealand radio stations express sentiments and opinions unfriendly to Hitler; and that you, the gentle reader of this paragraph, tune in on the New Zealand stations.

Then, with this background, let us reread the Berlin dispatch which states that special Nazi courts have sentenced six persons to terms ranging from four to seven years in prison "for listening to foreign broadcasts."

It hasn't happened here yet. It need not happen here. But it could happen here.

## GOLD WATCH LOST

Mr. O. Eager, of No. 5, Bowen Road, has reported the loss of a gold Bulova pocket watch and a gold silk fob, valued at \$100, between 7 to 11 p.m. yesterday between the Hongkong Club and the Broadcasting Studio.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Mr. & Mrs. Fung Ki Cheuk and family, and Mrs. Chu and family, beg to tender their heartfelt thanks to their relatives and friends for their attendance at the funerals, floral tributes and Letters of Condolence sent in their recent bereavement.

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## SAFETY OF SOUTH SEAS

GENERALISSIMO Chiang Kai-shek's address to the First Plenary Session of the People's Political Council, which incidentally was attended by the largest number of delegates in the Council's history, made it patent—clear how closely related the hostilities and political developments in the West and East have become. Just as all the diplomatic manoeuvring in Europe by Herr Hitler is recognised as only a means to an onslaught on Britain, so is Japan's drive in the sphere of power-politics only a means to the conquest of China. Viewing the subject from this angle, therefore, the Generalissimo did not exaggerate the position when he declared that any materialisation of Japan's southward drive would be the "greatest" menace to China's national existence and security. Here, then, is the surest justification for increased assistance to China's efforts to stem the tide of aggression from the moment when it started ten years ago with the Japanese invasion of Manchuria. Japan's policy of expansion, which was directly aimed at China, has, particularly within the last three-and-a-half years, sapped her strength and resources to a greater extent than is probably realised. Her readiness to participate in the Axis programme is only a sign of her desperate need to secure for herself the resources and territories of the South Seas to replenish her losses in order to fulfil her ambition for the conquest of China with which she, no doubt, feels sure she can obtain domination of the Pacific.

THE WESTERN POWERS were not so blind to these motives as Japan and her European partners appeared to believe. Their plans for resistance were not made in a hurried or haphazard fashion. Calmly and systematically they set about the formation of a solid front which made itself known and its determination apparent when Japan showed signs of overstepping the limits to which her policy could be tolerated. This front today is revealed in the plans which Britain has made to defend her possessions by the strengthening of the defences of Malaya; the stiffened attitude of the United States, whose President has pointedly indicated the measures he will take to support Britain and the Dutch East Indies in the event of their interests in the South Seas being attacked; the whole-hearted preparations which Australia and New Zealand have undertaken to play their part in the programme; and, above

## REPORT OF EVACUATION REPRESENTATION C'TTEE

## Governor Not Prepared To Address Meeting

THE FOLLOWING IS A REPORT OF THE EVACUATION REPRESENTATION COMMITTEE WHICH HAS BEEN SIGNED BY ALL ITS MEMBERS:—

At the last public meeting on the subject of evacuation, held at the Peninsula Hotel on December 27, 1940, the Committee were instructed:—

1. To reply to the answer of the Secretary of State to the Colonies.
2. To request a Government representative to address a public meeting.
3. To urge His Majesty's Government in Hongkong to make financial provision for the evacuates on an equitable basis.

In accordance with these instructions (1) a letter to the Secretary of State for the Colonies was drafted. The Committee, however, were advised by the Colonial Secretariat that this letter could only go forward in the form of a petition. As this method did not appeal to them and also on account of ministerial changes at home and political events in the Far East, the Committee decided that by turning the letter into a petition no good purpose would be served and it was therefore agreed not to send it.

## LETTER TO C.S.

2. A letter was sent to the Hon. Colonial Secretary on January 25, 1941 as follows:—

Sir,—We have the honour to invite your attention to the second meeting of husbands and relatives of Evacuates held in the Peninsula Hotel on Dec. 27, and to the proposal made thereat that His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government should be invited to address a further meeting on the subject of the com-

all, the increased confidence and renewed strength with which the Chinese have decided to continue their struggle against the Japanese, not only as Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek said on Saturday, to safeguard their own independence and existence, but also to curb the crimes which Japan and her Axis partners are attempting to perpetrate against the whole civilised world.

THERE IS REASON to believe now that these significant signs have not been lost on the Japanese militarists and the easing of the tension in the Pacific may rightly be associated with their recognition of the danger that confronts them. Their statesmen have, however, committed the country to a policy of aggression and they will no doubt resort to guile and cunning to attain their ends. An example of this is furnished in the futile attempts they have made to magnify the incident in which the Chinese Communist Army was concerned. The Generalissimo gave a frank explanation of this whole position and has proved how baseless is the suggestion that any party question entered into the incident at all. The Communist Army gave their pledge to observe the principles of Dr. Sun Yat-sen when they ranged themselves with the Government against the Japanese and the incident which the Japanese have endeavoured to distort into a political wrangle was nothing more than a military disciplinary measure to deal with an instance of insubordination and disobedience to orders. As such the matter has been handled by the Generalissimo who will no doubt be prepared to take even more drastic steps to see that there is no repetition of such an incident. This is but one of the questionable methods of Japan's political manoeuvring, but with the steadfast faith which the Chinese have in their leader unshaken, they will give the Japanese no opportunity to undermine their confidence in the ultimate result of the struggle.

(a) If the evacuation was in fact necessary, why was not the large foreign community of women and children also advised to leave?

(b) If the evacuation was carried out for the safety of women and children, why were so many women and children permitted to remain in the Colony? If, on the other hand, as has been stated, it was dictated as a measure of defence, why were so many senior Officials allowed to demonstrate their unbelief in its necessity?

(c) What are the comparative numbers of women evacuated in the Colony?

(d) Why was the threat of compulsory embarkation held over the heads of women, many of whom were in a delicate state of health when in fact there was apparently never any intention of putting this threat into effect?

(e) What was the basic reason behind Government's cancellation of further evacuation, which placed a premium on disobedience? If this cancellation was due to a radical change in the situation, removing the original reason for evacuation, why are those who complied with the original order not permitted to return?

(f) Does the removal of some 3,000 women and children contribute in any appreciable measure to the safety of defence of the Colony in view of the numbers permitted to remain?

(g) Can any indication be given as to the length of time that those women and children who loyally complied with the evacuation order are to be compulsorily debarricaded from returning to their homes?

3. Should His Excellency find it impossible personally to address such a meeting, we are instructed to enquire whether he would deputate a personal representative to do so, or if this also is not feasible, whether a Government spokesman could be appointed for the purpose.

4. Alternatively, should none of the foregoing commend themselves to His Excellency, we are instructed to enquire whether he would be prepared to receive a deputation from this Committee for the purpose of communicating to them the basic answers to the points in question.

5. We have to add that our Committee feels that such a statement would do much to allay the existing feeling of discontent and injustice. They are supported in this view by the opinions expressed at the meeting held on Dec. 27, and they feel confident that those whom they represent have at all times been willing to co-operate in any necessary measure for the prosecution of the war effort, and will continue to do so with better heart if the feeling referred to above can in some measure be dispelled.

We have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servants,  
J. L. WILSON, Chairman,  
F. C. CLEMO, Hon. Secy.

## THE REPLY

We received the following reply, which the Committee accepts as final:—

February 6, 1941.  
Sir,—With reference to your letter of Jan. 25, 1941, regarding

## BRITAIN SPEAKS:

## REAL BATTLE YET TO COME: "GIVE US THE TOOLS AND WE WILL FINISH THE JOB."

"Judged by any facts you like, the real battle is yet to come. How long it will last no one can say. So when anybody asks me that question, I remind them that the last time we were left alone to face the European despot, it took us 22 years to finish the job. If anybody want us, therefore, to finish it quicker this time they must see to it that we have the necessary means to do so. As the Prime Minister said 'Give us the tools and we will finish the job.'"

These words formed the concluding portion of a talk by MR. COLIN COOTE, B.B.C. commentator, when he broadcast yesterday from London in the series "Britain Speaks."

## HELPING OURSELVES

"The Germans keep on telling the United States," said Mr. Coote, "that it is no use helping us and that any help they can give will come too late and will be too small. I don't suppose any of you are taken in by this sort of stuff. The Germans have always been telling the world that the British want other people to do things for them. However, if I were American I should want to know that the people I was asked to help were doing all in their power to help themselves."

"You have heard a lot about what the United States are doing to help Britain and I think it is time you should hear what the British are doing to help themselves. I cannot tell you all the details, because Herr Hitler would like to know them too. But I can tell you a few things which will show you what we are doing."

## WAR EXPENDITURE

"In the first place there is expenditure. We are now spending £12,500,000 a day, which is about \$62,500,000. This expenditure is nearly three-quarters of our whole National income in 1938. From our richest men direct taxation alone takes 17 shillings out of every 20 shilling of their income. No person in this country with an income of over a dollar a day is exempt from taxation. Apart from this people saved and lent £1,160,000,000."

"It was Napoleon who called us a nation of shopkeepers," went on Mr. Coote, "and ever since he put that label on us there has been an idea abroad that the British were a mean race. What it really means is that the Britisher is so conscious of his ideal that he is inclined to spend less than one-fifth of his income on himself. It must not also be forgotten that every single thing obtained from abroad in this war has been paid for on the nail."

## MAN AND WOMAN POWER

"I now come to the question of man-power, not forgetting woman-power," said Mr. Coote. "You know that all men between the ages of 18 and 41 are liable for military service, but what you may not know is the extent to which

## STOLE \$1.83!

According to a report to the Police, Nip Mul, 28, residing at No. 2, Kiu Yan Lane, stated that about 1.30 a.m. yesterday he was walking along Graham Street; he was held-up by two Chinese. He was robbed of \$1.83. One of the alleged robbers was arrested yesterday.

certain proposals made at a public meeting held at the Peninsula Hotel on Dec. 27, 1941, I am directed to inform you that His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government is not prepared to address a meeting of relatives of evacuates nor to delegate this duty to any officer in His Excellency's administration.

2. With regard to the question asked in the second paragraph of your letter, His Excellency directs me to say that he considers that the matters of which the first six of these questions treat have been adequately dealt with in public announcements and in interviews which His Excellency has had with yourself and another member of your Committee. I am to add that it is clear that the answer to the seventh question can depend only on future political developments.

3. In these circumstances His Excellency considers that no useful purpose would be served by receiving a deputation from your Committee as requested in the

## FORMIDABLE PROPOSITION

"What are they asking us?" said Mr. Coote. "They are asking the British Empire to take on Germany and Italy, the indifference of Russia, and the hostility of Japan. They are asking us to take on the two strongest armies in the world, and two of the strongest air-forces of the world. They are asking us to be masters on every sea in the world at the same time. So much for their general proposition, and it is a formidable one."

## LOOKING BACK

"In this month of March we can look back and say that we have downed in battle alone 3,250 German aircraft," said Mr. Coote. "We have fought a victorious campaign on land, 3000 miles away from our Home base, and we have dissolved the Italian Empire in Africa. We can now look forward and say we sincerely hope that Herr Hitler will try to invade us. That is my case."

## Mr. Coote said that when their friends said that the British seem to be doing well and therefore did not need help he would ask them to look on the other side of the picture.



## EXTENSION OF CONFLICT TO BALKANS FORESEEN

### Moscow And Incorporation Of Bulgaria Into Axis

MOSCOW, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The Moscow radio announced that the Soviet Foreign Office had informed the Bulgarian Minister in Moscow yesterday that the Soviet Government considered the entry of German troops into Bulgaria tends towards an extension of the war to the Balkans, and that it could support the attitude of the Bulgarian Government.

The full text of the statement regarding the Soviet Government's attitude on Bulgaria's adherence to the Tri-Partite Pact is as follows:—

"On March 1 a representative of the Bulgarian Foreign Office informed the official representative of the Soviet Government in Bulgaria that the Bulgarian Government had agreed to the entry of German troops into Bulgaria for the purpose of consolidating peace in the Balkans.

"On March 3 the Deputy Peoples' Commissar for Foreign Affairs, M. Vishinsky, replied as follows to the Bulgarian Minister in Moscow, M. Stamenov:

"In reply to the communication of March 1 to the effect that the Bulgarian Government had agreed to the entry of German troops into Bulgaria and that this action had

the purpose of preserving peace in the Balkans, the Soviet Government deem it necessary to say:

(1) The Soviet Government cannot share the view of the Bulgarian Government as to the correctness of her attitude in this question as this attitude, regardless of whether the Bulgarian Government wishes it, leads not to consolidation of peace but to further extension of the sphere of war and the involvement of Bulgaria in war;

(2) The Soviet Government, true to its peace policy, is not in position to render any support whatever to the Bulgarian Government in the execution of her present policy.

"The Soviet Government finds it necessary to make this statement, particularly in view of the unhindered rumours in the Bulgarian press which misrepresent the real attitude of the Soviet Government."

#### MARKING TIME

SOFIA, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Events are marking time in Sofia. Rumours have been circulating in the capital to the effect that 20 German divisions have already entered Bulgaria, of which 15 are heading for the Turkish frontier. These rumours are evidently part of the Nazi war of nerves against the Turks.

Military experts have pointed out that the movement of such a large body of troops is physically impossible since the three Bulgarian roads available to the Germans could not have carried such a large volume of traffic in the time that has elapsed.

It is further pointed out that it is impossible to dispose 15 German divisions on the Turkish frontier, where the Bulgarian Army is already concentrated.

#### NO PRESSURE YET

While military experts consider that five divisions are enough to cover the Greek frontier, Greek diplomatic circles here state that there is no news yet of any German diplomatic pressure on Athens, which they presume will begin when the Nazi divisions arrive on the Greek frontier.

As yet, only a very small number of German troops have arrived in Sofia.

Bulgaria's Independence Day was celebrated yesterday by a large holiday crowd, idly strolling through the streets gazing at German staff automobiles and other transport.

New military telephone lines were installed today in a building which was taken over by fifth columnists a few weeks ago.

#### HOLDINGS IN U. S.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The State Department has advised the Treasury to "freeze" Bulgarian funds in the United States as the result of the entry of German troops into Bulgaria.

## Important Territorial Concessions In Indo-China Reported

Official circles in Vichy admit that important territorial concessions in Indo-China have been made as a result of the Japanese proposals, stated a message from Sydney yesterday. It was added that all the demands have not been accepted and that negotiations were being continued.—(Special)

A London message added that MR. ISHII, the Japanese Government spokesman, said in Tokyo, that the outlook for the negotiations was pretty hopeful.

At the same time he deprecated too much optimism and repeated Japan's determination to bring the talks to an amicable conclusion by Friday.

Vichy's reply accepted the proposals in principle but contained several reservations.

Meanwhile, the British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigie, gave a categorical denial to allegations which stated that 20,000 Chinese troops have moved into Burma to strengthen the British forces there.—(Special)

#### PASSPORTS NECESSARY

CHUNGKING, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Chinese nationals desiring to enter Burma must obtain necessary passports from the Chinese Foreign Office and British Consulate visas beginning from April 1.

## 450,000 ITALIAN TROOPS IN ALBANIA

At a moderate estimate there are 450,000 Italian troops in ALBANIA without taking into consideration the reserve forces, states a London message.

The Athens Radio stated that there were 24 Italian divisions in action and proof of this lies in the fact that prisoners from each division have fallen into Greek hands.

The message added that the five Italian planes which bombed earthquake rescue workers in Larissa have all been brought down.—(Special)

#### REVIEW OF CAMPAIGN

In a review of the Greek campaign in Albania, M. Stavredis, B.B.C. commentator, referred to the steady progress which the Greeks have made in spite of difficult weather conditions. Taking one strategic position after another, and defeating every Italian attempt to regain the initiative they have waited for the right moment for the launching of the final offensive but the weather has prevented this with snow and drenching rains.

Despite this, the average capture of prisoners has been well maintained. On Feb. 17, 3,400 prisoners have been taken and, in one action alone, an Italian force of 1000 was reduced to 180.

#### AIR ACTIVITY

The British and Greek air forces have increased their activity and within 19 and 25 Italian planes have been shot down in three days, and a peak of 26 in one day.

The Greeks have taken 20,000 prisoners, including 561 officers. In the whole campaign up to date the Greeks claimed to have taken more than 90,000 prisoners.

In addition they have captured 130 field guns, 130 heavy mortars, 1,500 small guns, and rifles and ammunition to the value of £1,800,000. They also claimed to have destroyed 130 Italian planes.—(Special)

#### LIFT ACCIDENT

Mr. J. Benach, residing at No. 218, Nathan Road, was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital suffering from a fractured left leg as the result of an accidental fall into the well of the elevator at King's Building yesterday at 11.30 a.m.

## BRIDAL BAN LIFTED

The Government has abolished the peace-time rule that no officers of the Royal Canadian Air Force may marry until he has attained the rank of flight lieutenant unless he could satisfy the authorities that he had a private income in addition to his salary.

Officials discovered that as a result of this ruling most officers were unable to marry until they had been in the service for a number of years.

## CONTINUED RESISTANCE REITERATED

### RESOLUTION PASSED AT P.P.C. SESSION

CHUNGKING, Mar. 3 (Central).—A resolution was passed at the second meeting of the first plenary session of the 2nd People's Political Council held yesterday morning to issue a circular telegram supporting Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's reiteration in his speech at the Council's opening ceremony of China's determination to continue resistance until China wins the final victory and to set national defence as one of the goals of reconstruction.

A special committee was organised to investigate commodity prices and draw up measures of readjustment.

Reports on education and social affairs were made by Mr. Chen Li-fu, and Mr. Ku Cheng-kang, Ministers of Education and Social Welfare respectively.

#### AFTERNOON MEETING

At the third meeting held in the afternoon proposals examination committees were organised and reports on communications, agriculture and forestry and interior affairs were made by Mr. Chang Kia-ngau, General Chan Chai-tong and Mr. Chow Chung-yueh, Ministers of Communications, Agriculture and Forestry and Interior respectively.

## 52 Certain Votes For Aid Bill

Senator Taft stated in Washington, according to a London message, that the number of votes against the Lease and Lend Bill in Congress would not be more than 44 out of a total of 96. There were 52 certain votes for the Bill. Authority has been granted for the export of 138 pre-war products to Britain from the United States.

Italian and German credits, totalling \$200,000,000, or £50,000,000, have been frozen in America to prevent neutralisation of Bulgarian gold reserves.—(Special)

## BRITAIN'S ARMS FACTORIES

LONDON.—About a million more workers will be needed in Britain's arms factories before August and more than half of them will have to be women. Production has increased considerably since the spring, but it must increase at twice the rate this year.

The Minister of Labour, Mr. Ernest Bevin, calls on employers to help in meeting the situation by:

Up-grading skilled workers, transferring labour from luxury trades, extending training in factories, and employing many more women on skilled work.

The call for technicians in the armed forces will mean a drastic modification of the schedule of reserved occupations, and the munitions industry will have to face the loss of many thousands of its best younger men.

#### SUFFER TEMPORARILY

Production, it is realised, may suffer temporarily, but up-grading and training will soon make good the loss. Employers are being asked to train more workers than they need and to retain only those highly skilled men whose work is being fully used.

Mr. Bevin's intention is to make the fullest use of women labour. He has in mind the 250,000 women now unemployed. They will receive preference for training to take skilled jobs now done by men.

At nearly 40 Government training centres, in technical colleges, and in factories women will be trained, side by side with men, and will receive allowances only a little less than male trainees.

It is likely that for the first time a full-time woman engineer will be appointed to the training inspectorate of the Ministry of Labour.

A Spiritual Retreat for the Children of Mary, and young ladies will be held in the Rosary Church daily from March 10 to 16, at 8 p.m. The preacher will be Rev. Fr. P. Joy, S.J.

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The Malay Regiment may be only eight years old, but it is a successor to a regiment of Malays who served under the British crown 140 years ago, men of a race which has always shown fighting qualities throughout its history.

The first regiment of Malays originated in St. Helena in 1799. A number of Malays serving in enemy ships were taken prisoner, and then readily took an oath of fidelity and entered the British service as artillerymen. They proved to be excellent soldiers; after a couple of years they were sent to Ceylon to form the nucleus of a Malay regiment.

"Loyal and faithful" ("Ta'af dan Setia" in the Jawi script) is the motto of the present Malay Regiment which appears on the badge of a crossed kris and sheath, surmounted by the oriental five-pointed crown.

Primarily a Federated Malay States unit, the regiment recruits 80 per cent. of its personnel from the four Federated States; the remainder come from the Unfederated States and the Straits Settlements. It is, however, strongly stressed in the regiment that all ranks belong to the Malay race and represent their country as a whole, not the various states in particular, although recruiting is carried out by quota in each state and district.

#### EIGHT YEARS OLD

Formation of the unit was talked of as far back as 1922, but it was not until March 1, 1933 that the scheme finally took shape and the first batch of recruits arrived at Port Dickson, to be trained by officers and warrant officers seconded from British regiments. Within two years the title of "experimental company" had been dropped and the unit became the Malay Regiment.

The strength of the regiment by September 1, 1936 had reached: British officers 11, British warrant officers 12, Malay officers 4, Malay other ranks 806. At the present time the regiment consists of a full battalion, an extra company and a depot, while the number of Malay officers has risen to 14.

It is the policy of the regiment to promote from the ranks. Ability, strength of character and powers of leadership are the considerations that lead to a commission. Of the original 25 recruits, five are officers, one is the regimental sergeant major, one is a company sergeant major, one is a company quartermaster sergeant and one a sergeant.

## CHINA'S ARBOUR DAY, MARCH 12

CHUNGKING, March 4 (Central).—The Ministry of Social Welfare has designated March 12, anniversary of the death of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, Father of the Chinese Republic as China's Arbour Day. The Ministry has circulated the different provincial and municipal governments to promote tree-planting on the occasion.

## THE WEATHER

Maximum temperature yesterday was 60 and the minimum 53.

Total rainfall since Jan. 1 is 10.88 inches against an average of 3.18.

The Royal Observatory report states:—

"A strong anticyclone covers China and is extending eastward to S. Japan. Pressure is relatively low over Thailand.

A male, Ho Tim, 29, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital last evening after having jumped or fallen overboard from the ferry Man Chi in the harbour. The man was rescued by a seaman of the ferry, Wong Kwai.

## SING TAO WIN

Sing Tao football team, now touring Manila, scored their second victory on Monday by defeating La Salle by the odd goal in three before a crowd of 10,000.

## British Forces Advance North Of Mogadishu

BRITISH FORCES HAVE ADVANCED 170 miles due north of MOGADISHU, according to a communique issued in Nairobi yesterday, states a London message. Two other towns are reported to have been captured and the total number of prisoners now taken is stated to be 10,000.

The British casualties were very low in comparison.

The EAST AFRICAN forces lost 16 killed and 70 wounded and the SOUTH AFRICAN forces 34 killed and 76 wounded.

A Cairo communique states that the main advance is continuing satisfactorily. Operations are being carried out effectively on the S. E. frontier of Abyssinia where 1,500 prisoners were taken.

#### ENEMY POSITIONS BOMBED

An Air Ministry communique from Cairo reports that in north Abyssinia enemy positions were bombed and machine-gunned.

Asmara was machine-gunned by fighter aircraft of the South African Air Force and several planes on the ground were damaged.

A small formation of British fighters intercepted a number of Italian bombers which were returning after the bombing of Larissa, in Greece, and shot two of them down into the sea.—(Special)

## CHESS RESULTS

L. Karpovich won his second round match against C. M. Sequeira in the Colony Chess Championship last night in masterly fashion, playing the Slav Defence to the Queen's Gambit and developing a strong King's side attack after Sequeira had permitted a faulty exchange. The game was over in 24 moves.

G. S. Coxhead won against D. E. de Carvalho.

In the Junior Championship, Un Kwai-yung beat A. Morton and A. Kurik beat J. Grefalda.

## FOUND DEAD

A 50-year-old tailor, Cheuk Sing-yu, was found dead at the Cheung Chau Wharf yesterday about 12.30 p.m. He was a passenger from Cheung Chau.

## FOOTBALL REFEREES MEETING

### AWARD OF SHIELD SOUVENIRS

The question of allotment of games and the awards of souvenirs to referees and linesmen in the Senior and Junior Shield finals were discussed at the monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Referees' Association held at the Hotel Cecil last night.

Mr. Hugh A. Beard (Chairman) presided, assisted by Mr. J. F. da Silva, Hon. Sec.

Letters written to the Football Association asking them to supply every referee a list of referees and linesmen engaged that week and in regard to complaints by certain referees about the allotment of games were read by the secretary. No replies had yet been received.

It was decided that all linesmen be informed that they should report to the referee before the start of a game. After discussion regarding the question of awarding whistles to the referee and medals to the linesmen in the finals of the Senior and Junior Shield, it was decided that this proposal be recommended to the F.A.

#### THREE PHASES

The speaker of the evening, Mr. T. G. Stokes, a Councillor of the H.K.F.A., divided his talk into three phases and took his audience through a series of events that concern a referee from the time he is appointed to the time he has fulfilled his duties, interspersed with a few personal views in regard to the handling of players.

The referee's most important duty begins at the start of the game and he must prevent trouble and one sure way is by co-operation between himself and players.

The speaker discussed the effect of a "marching order" on a player and pointed out that no referee really likes to take this course of action. Mr. Stokes suggested that a carefully worded warning, instead of a public admonishment by stopping the game and pointing a finger at a player, would have a much greater effect.

#### D. O. SOUTH

HOUSE-BREAKER EXPELLED Yuen Sang, 29, pleaded guilty before Mr. S. F. Balfour yesterday to the charge of breaking into 24 Cheung Chau Reservation, Cheung Chau, on March 1 and was ordered to be expelled from the Colony.

According to the complainant, Ng Sam, a house-boy, defendant was seen in the afternoon of March 1 opening the mosquito netting and working away the bolt. Accused stole from the bedroom two European-style jackets and one pair of trousers, valued at \$30. These were later pawned for \$4.

Dr. H. Talbot, of No. 16, Macdonnell Road, has reported the theft of two wind screen wipers from his car No. 6043 which was parked outside the address.



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## RADIO PROGRAMME

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legro scherzando—Serge Rachmaninoff (Piano) and the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra cond. by Leopold Stokowski.

9.45 News in French (on Short Wave Only).  
10.02 Selections from Grand Opera with Jussi Björling (Tenor).

The Barber of Seville—Overture (Rossini)—Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra of New York conducted by Arturo Toscanini. La Gioconda—Heaven and Ocean (Ponchielli); L'Africana—Oh Paradise (Meyerbeer)—Jussi Björling (Tenor) with Orchestra. The Valkyries—The Ride of the Valkyries (Wagner)—Sir Henry J. Wood conducting the New Queen's Hall Orchestra. La Bohème—Your tiny hand is frozen (Puccini)—Jussi Björling (Tenor) with Orchestra. 'Aida'—Grand March (Verdi)—The B.B.C. Wireless Symphony Orchestra.  
10.30 Albert Sandier (Violin) and His Orchestra.  
Indiana—Sweetheart (Hansen); Tears (Uhr)—Albert Sandier and His Orchestra. Spanish Serenade (Jonny Heykens); The Child & His Dancing Doll (Jonny Heykens)—Albert Sandier (Violin) with Samchintini (Cello) and Byfield (Piano). Sandier Minuets—Intro: Mozart Minuet in E flat; Elzot Minuet from L'Arlésienne; Bocherini Minuet; Handel 'Berendine' Minuet; Beethoven Minuet in G; Mozart Minuet and Trio. Divertimento No. 17—Albert Sandier and His Orchestra. O Sole Mio (De Capua)—Albert Sandier (Violin) with Samchintini (Cello) and Byfield (Piano). Hansen—Serenade (Dellus)—Albert Sandier and His Orchestra.  
11.00 Close down.

The "To Kung Pao" which has set up a branch office in Kwelin, capital of Kwangsi, commenced publication as from February 15.

## ROTARY TIFFIN:

## Mr. P. S. Cassidy Appeals For Documentary Films And Revival Of Old Favourites

AN APPEAL TO LOCAL EXHIBITORS TO SHOW MORE BRITISH FILMS OF QUALITY AND ESPECIALLY DOCUMENTARY FILMS, and to show also revivals of successful films of the past 12 years in first run houses, was made yesterday by Rotarian P. S. Cassidy when speaking at the weekly tiffin meeting of the Hongkong Rotary Club.

Speaking on the title "A Film Fan's Fancies," Rotarian Cassidy said that there were many film fans here who would welcome more British films of quality and especially documentaries, a type of film in which British studios have so far done better than Hollywood.

"The only British documentary I recollect seeing here was 'The Gannets,' a most thrilling picture of bird life with commentary by Julian Huxley," Rotarian Cassidy said. "These documentaries would, I feel sure, give far more pleasure to film fans than some of the more ridiculous shorts we so often get."

"The other part of my appeal is for revival of successful films of the past 12 years. The Star Theatre unearths some old film from time to time but only shows it for one day. I wish the first run houses on this side of the harbour would draw up a programme of Old Favourites, to be shown for two or three days in the middle of the week, and give that programme ample publicity."

"There is many a fine film long since forgotten which would I am sure, attract as large an audience as a first run and it would give full measure of enjoyment to those who were seeing it for a second time."

COMEDIES APPRECIATED  
Speaking about films he had enjoyed in the past few years, Rotarian Cassidy, who admits having seen 286 films in the course of the past five years, confessed to having been entertained by Eddie Cantor and Harold Lloyd while Charlie Chaplin he would place in a class by himself.

"Although I feel that many of his films would have reached a far higher plane if they had been made by one of Hollywood's leading directors, I realise that they might have lost much that Charlie's genius has put into them."

Novels and Plays, Rotarian Cassidy expressed the opinion, never seemed to be always satisfactory on the screen. The film version of "Pride and Prejudice," he thought, was a pleasant but ordinary costume play reeking of benevolence and good-will but an outrage on Jane Austen.

"ANTHONY ADVERSE"  
"Becky Sharp and David Copperfield were not, to my mind, in keeping with the author's ideas," Mr. Cassidy continued. "Although I feel sure Thackeray would have found Miriam Hopkins the personification of Becky, Anthony Ad-

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## NEWS IN ENGLISH

Transmission I—News Summary 4.00 p.m.  
Full Bulletin 5.00 p.m.

Transmission V—News Summary 6.45 p.m.  
Full Bulletin 7.00 p.m.  
do. 9.00 p.m.  
do. 12.00 mid-  
night

Trans. II & III—News Summary 7.30 a.m.  
Full Bulletin 8.30 a.m.



Mr. William Holt, who broadcasts "Britain Speaks" talks once a week in the B.B.C.'s Overseas short-wave service, is a British working man who knows the world.

## ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

## AT CENTRAL

## JOCKEY FINED

Pleading through a representative, Pih Hoo-ching, of No. 22, Village Road, first floor, the well-known jockey, summoned for causing annoyance by unnecessary honning while driving car No. 6093 in Wongsheung Road, near the race-course, at 6.30 p.m. on Feb. 19, was fined \$5 by Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday.

Gilbert Chan, of No. 19, Peak Road, was summoned for permitting car No. 4059 to stand longer than necessary in Chater Road at 11.40 a.m. on Feb. 18 and driving without a valid licence.

Pleading guilty, he was fined \$5 on the first summons and \$15 on the second.

Summoned for driving car No. 3094 in Chater Road at 1.20 p.m. on Feb. 15 without a valid licence, Louis Leong, of No. 49, Shouson Hill, pleaded guilty through a representative and was fined \$15.

J.G.N. Spencer, of Tak Kee Company, No. 8, Queen's Road Central, was summoned for parking car No. 3238 in the Pedder Street car park on Feb. 13 in excess of the two-hour limit. A fine of \$5 was imposed.

## GAMBLING HOUSES RAIDED

Before Mr. Sheldon yesterday, six unemployed were charged with keeping different common gaming houses, for the purpose of "ise fa" at various addresses on the Island on Mar. 3.

Lam Po, 20, No. 28, Lee Tung Street, first floor, was fined \$100.

Ip Ping, 22, No. 21, Amoy Street, first floor, was fined \$100.

Wong Shu, 27, and Yuen Hung, 28, No. 60, Lockhart Road, first floor, were fined \$100 each.

Chan Kuen, 54, and Chan Kwong, 28, No. 59, Hennessy Road, first floor, failing to appear, had their balls of \$100 each estimated.

Det.-Sgt. V. M. Morrison prosecuted in the above cases.

Appearing before Mr. Lowry, Wong Wai, 46, widow, charged with keeping a common gaming house for "ise fa" at No. 13, Tai Hong Street, ground floor, was fined \$20, or 21 days' hard labour.

Sgt. Kinloch prosecuted.

Table money totalling \$62.16 picked up in the raids was ordered to be donated to the Poor Box.

## BOUND OVER

Walking into the Hongkong Chinese Civil Servants' Club, China Building, on Monday night, and after stealing a raincoat, a petty thief made no effort to escape. Instead, he went into the library of the club and sat down, when a search of him was made and the property found hidden under his jacket.

This was revealed when Ho Chi-mo, alias Ho Fei, 24, unemployed, was charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday with stealing the raincoat, the property of Yau Shui-chung, clerk, when he was bound over in the sum of \$20 to be of good behavior for six months.

Det.-Sgt. Sykes prosecuted.

## PARTNER CHARGED

Charged with larceny of \$4,000 from the Fook Cheung Wo firm, of which he was a partner, Tong Tak-wah, 42, was remanded for a week by Mr. Lowry yesterday.

Det.-Sgt. Summers asked the Court to increase the present bail of \$2,000, since a further sum of over \$10,000 was involved.

This was opposed by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, who appeared for defendant.

Mr. M. A. da Silva is for the prosecution.

## COMPENSATION ORDERED

Pte. R. Deamer, of "A" Company, first Battalion, Middlesex Regiment, was summoned before Mr. Sheldon yesterday with driving military truck No. 5634 without due care and caution in May Road on Feb. 9.

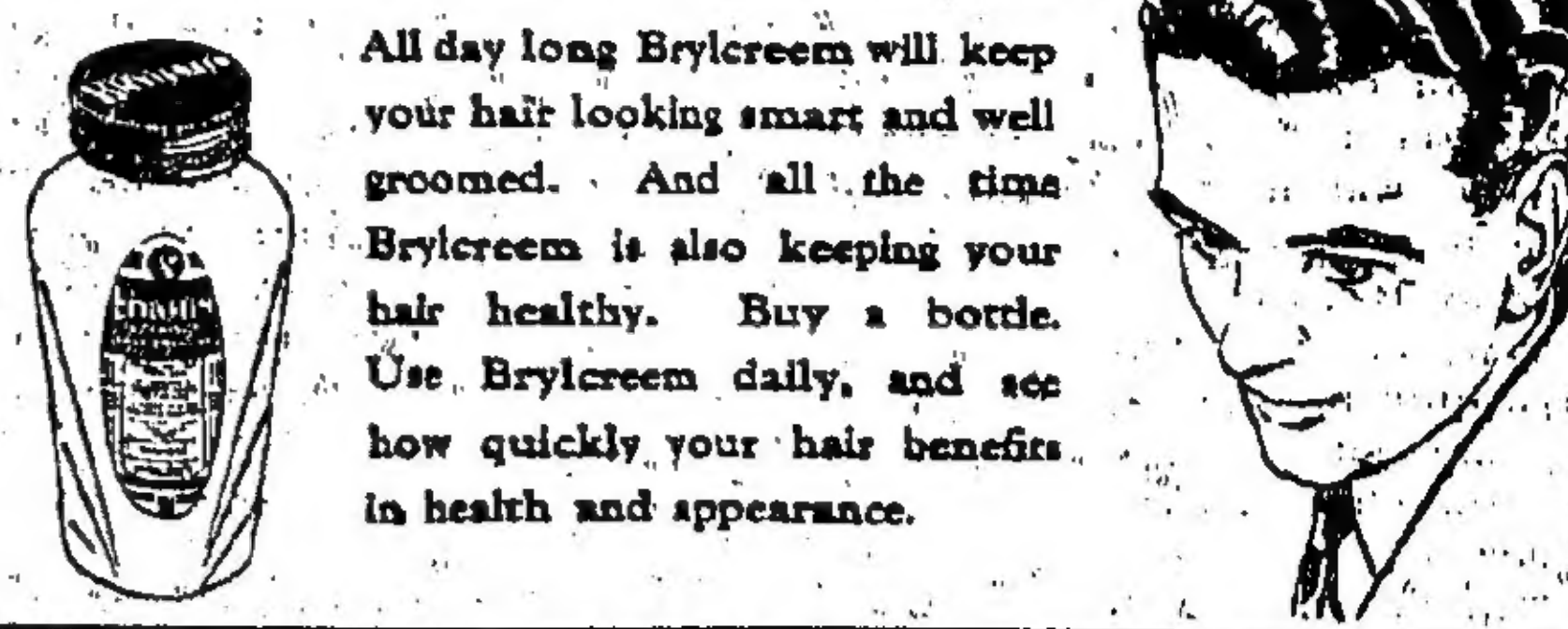
Traffic Sgt. Yone said that defendant was driving in May Road from east to west. When rounding a slight left hand bend, he drove so near to the left side that he collided with a Chinese woman, who was standing next to the side wall, causing her slight injuries.

Defendant, who pleaded not guilty, said that the woman side-stepped towards the centre of the road as soon as he got level with her. He swerved but did not avoid hitting her.

After hearing the case, Mr. Sheldon ordered defendant to pay \$25 compensation to the woman.

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## Embezzlement Of \$30,000 Alleged Against Salesman

Hearing of the case in which WONG KIU-FUI, alias Wong Kung-but, 31, salesman, is charged on ten counts of embezzlement, fraudulent conversion and falsification of accounts of sums totalling more than \$30,000, was commenced before Mr. G. T. Lowry at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

The Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, jun., instructed by Mr. F. Y. Woo, appeared for the prosecution. Det.-Sgt. R. Macvey was present for the Police, while defendant was represented by Mr. J. M. d'Almada Remedios.

Wong is charged with embezzlement of \$5,000 on Dec. 28, 1939, then being a clerk in the employ of Chan Siu-wah and others carrying on business under the firm name of Wing Shun, No. 19, Sai Yuen Lane, West Point; of \$237.25 on Dec. 28, 1939, and of \$19,171.78 on Jan. 1, 1940, and three counts of fraudulent conversion of the said sums, which are alternative charges.

FOUR COUNTS  
The remaining four counts of falsification of accounts alleged that

on Dec. 28, 1939, with intent to defraud, he omitted or concurred in omitting from or in a daily clearance book belonging to the firm the receipt of \$5,000 from the Yuan Lee Hong firm;

on the same date he omitted the receipt of \$237.25 also from the same firm;

on June 18, 1939, he made or concurred in making a false entry in a daily clearance book purporting to show that the cash balance carried forward in respect of the previous month was \$8,624.60, whereas in fact the said cash balance amounted to \$14,681.85.

on Sept. 12, 1939, he made a false entry in the same book purporting to show that the total receipts

for the current month amounted to \$23,832.44, whereas in fact the total receipts amounted to \$25,073.24.

ESTABLISHED IN 1915  
Mr. D'Almada said that the Wing Shun firm was established in 1915. The fathers of complainant and defendant, and others were the original shareholders.

In Dec. 1940, complainant, who was in Fatsan, China, received a letter from the managing partner, Wu Koon-chi, in Hongkong. Dated Nov. 18, 1940, it set out the position of the falsification and dealt with the fact that defendant would make up the deficit by paying back in part gradually.

In consequence of that letter, complainant arrived in Hongkong on Dec. 17 last when full enquiries were made.

Defendant joined the firm in 1935 as assistant accountant and in 1937 became principal accountant and salesman, earning \$40 a month.

"IN SOLE CONTROL  
From Feb. to Dec., 1939, defendant was left in sole control of the firm as Wu Koon-chi, managing partner, who was uncle of defendant, was away. Wu returned on Dec. 30 and noted that defendant did not come back to the firm two days after his return.

During Wu's absence, defendant had the power to issue loans and collect cash due to the firm. Hearing was adjourned to Mar. 26, at 2.30 p.m.

## FIREWOOD DEALER FINED

Appearing before Major A. N. Macfadyen yesterday, Lau Pul, 24, firewood dealer, was charged with selling firewood at a price in excess of that fixed by Government.

It was stated that accused sold 34 cabbies of firewood for \$1 whereas the fixed price was 40 cabbies per dollar.

Defendant said that his firewood was bought before the price was fixed.

He was fined \$5.

## HEARING ADJOURNED

Bail of \$500 was granted to Tam Shu, 38, master of boat 1329, who was charged before Major Macfadyen yesterday with moving 93 bags of rice from Hongkong to Kowloon without a permit.

Defendant was remanded for 24 hours.

Mr. C. Y. Kwan will appear for defendant, while Sub-Inspector Gunningham represented the Police.

JUNKMASTER FINED \$100  
Fine of \$100 was imposed by Major Macfadyen yesterday on Chan Ying, 27, master of junk 709Y, for possession of 10 bags of soya beans and two bags of ground nuts for the purpose of exporting without a permit.

Inspector E. T. Warden, of the Revenue Office, said that the cargo was found in the course of a routine search at the Yauwai Typhoon Shelter. He asked "his Worship" to take a serious view of the case.



## Canada's Huge Armaments Programme

Canada's huge armaments and munitions programme will attain its peak within a few months and it will then have an estimated production of over \$1,000,000,000 annually, according to W.F. Drysdale, director-general of munitions production branch of the Department of Munitions and Supply. Most of this production, for which \$200,000,000 capital has been invested, will be for the British Government.

Mr. Drysdale pointed out that all components, except engines, of two types are well advanced. Armour plate for these, never before produced in Canada, is being turned out. On ammunition, fourteen plants are now producing shells, eight are being toolled for shells, 25 are producing ammunition components and five are being toolled for the latter. Valuable use is being made of the survey completed some time ago by the National Defence Department of 3,000 Canadian factories, stated Mr. Drysdale. These plants were all classified with detailed lists of the tools and machines available.

Practically all the available plants are now being used, in one way or the other, in the general armament programme. Mr. Drysdale paid high tribute to the Canadian railway and automobile companies for their fine co-operation given in armament production. Canada is indebted to the United States for valuable co-operation on the production of necessary machine tools. British armament experts working with Mr. Drysdale stated they were simply astounded at the hearty co-operation given and that Canada may be right proud of the armament products now being turned out, with the result that the Dominion is already an important armament producer.

On tanks, the manufacture of the present and planned production to embrace the following: production of barrels for 40-millimetre and 3.7 A.A. guns has been proceeding satisfactorily; work is in progress for the complete equipment in Canada of these guns, 40 mm. anti-aircraft guns, 3.7-inch anti-aircraft guns, 25-pounder guns and carriages, aircraft machine guns, tank machine guns, 2-pounder anti-tank guns and carriages, 4-inch guns and mountings, 12-pounder guns and mountings, medium naval guns, Lee-Enfield rifles; by the middle of the year a substantial production of complete guns may be anticipated.

On tanks, the manufacture of

## Finance and Commerce

### HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

A fair number of enquiries were made during the day, but offers were not sufficiently attractive to lead to any great exchange of shares.

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Lights (O)	\$4.15
Telephones (N)	\$8.80
SELLERS	
Trams	\$18.75
SALES	
H.K. Banks	\$1345
Providents	\$5.75
Trams	\$18.60
Telephones (O)	\$24
Telephones (N)	\$9
Cements	\$18.90

### HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Tuesday, March 4, 1941.

SALES	
Cements	300 \$18.90
China Providents	1,000 5.75
Dairy Farms	50 18.00
H.K. Telephones (O)	100 24.00
Ropes	1,000 8.10
Humphreys	125 6.60
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	53,225
The total value is	\$38,822.50

### JUTE SHOES

#### INDIAN MATERIAL MAY BE USED IN U.S. MARKET

The possibilities of the use of jute in the shoe industry have attracted attention of the trade in America, states the November issue of the Indian Central Jute Committee's Bulletin.

The American market is looking for footwear similar to that which used to be imported from the European markets, now cut off owing to the war.

The Argentine has specialised in the manufacture of a jute-soled slipper usually known as alpargata for quite a long time, but this is not the type of footwear suitable for the fashionable tastes of the New Yorker.

What is wanted is a shoe of fashionable appearance, having an upper of thin leather good quality canvas, or of straps, similar to those used in ordinary sandals.

There is a good market for such shoes in the U.S.A. as it is generally recognised that jute soles have many advantages over any other. They are light, they do not slip on wet wood or grass and can be dried without any damage to the sole.

They are very popular for all types of sports and in great demand by sea travellers or bathers.

### LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, March 4 (Reuter).—Business in the Stock Exchange yesterday maintained a fairly steady understone but operators were cautious, awaiting Balkan developments.

Business was mainly centred on Gilt-Edged and Indian Bonds which were firmly held. Industrials were quiet, Steels firmer, while Tobaccos and Breweries were easier.

Kaffirs were occasionally easier while Oils rallied after an early decline. Foreign Bonds tended to be slightly lower but Egyptians unified half higher.

### SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER

London, Mar. 3 (Reuter).—Silver—Little speculative selling. Support Lacking. Market quiet. In the afternoon the market was steady but featureless, with practically no business.

Spot, 23-5/16d.

Forward, 23-1/4d.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, Mar. 3 (Reuter).—Market—Steady. Outtake 250 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready 63-03.

Mar. 24 Settlement 62-15

Apr. 22 Settlement 62-15

### FEDERAL RESERVE RETURNS

New York, Mar. 3 (Reuter).

Feb. 18 Feb. 25

(000's omitted)

Total loans \$ 9,423,000 \$ 9,495,000

Investments 16,958,000 16,955,000

According to a report by Mr. E. M. Taylor, secretary of the New Brunswick Fur Farmers' Association, foxes on ranches total about 50,000, distributed among some 800 ranchers. Production is estimated at 30,000 pelts. Mink on ranches total about 30,000 and a pelt production of about 20,000 is estimated.

### HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Normal	TUESDAY 4 MARCH	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Normal
				<b>Banks</b>				
\$1340		\$1340		H.K. Banks				\$1335
				Do. (Col. Reg.)				275
				Do. (Lon. Reg.)				273
				Chartered Bank				271
				Mercantile Bk. "A"				263
				Mercantile Bk. "C"				211
\$76				Bank of East Asia	\$76			
				N. C. & S. Bank	15 ct.			
				<b>Insurance</b>				
				Canton Insurance				\$915
				Union Insurance				\$413
\$412				Underwriters	80 cts			
				H.K. Fire	\$170			
				<b>Shipping</b>				
				Doonghies				\$190
				Steamboats				\$4
				Indo-China (Prof.)				\$100
				Indo-China (Def.)				\$80
				Shells				\$39
				Waterboats				\$7
				<b>Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.</b>				
				H.K. & K. Wharves				\$98
				Providents	\$61			\$17.45
				H.K. Docks (Old)				\$17
				H.K. Docks (New)				\$82
				Shanghai Dock				
				<b>Mining</b>				
				Kailans				17/0
				Raubs				\$9
				Hong Kong Mines				
				<b>Lands, Hotels and Buildings</b>				
				H.K. & S. Hotels	\$3.50			\$3.30
				H.K. Lands				\$31
				Do. 4% Debentures				\$79
				Shanghai Lands				
				H.K. Realities	\$3.15			\$3.30
				Humphreys				\$6.80
				Chinese Estates				
				<b>Cotton Mills</b>				
				Ewo (S.)				\$200
				S'hai Cottons (S.)				\$200
				Zoong Sings (S.)				
				Wing On Textiles (S.)				
				<b>Public Utilities</b>				
				H.K. Tramways				\$184
				Peak Trams (old)				\$7.40
				Peak Trams (new)				\$32
				Star Ferry				\$57
				Y'mat Ferries				\$32.65
				China Lights (O)				\$6.15
				China Lights (New)	\$1.65			\$41.85
				H.K. Electric (Old)				\$41.55
				H.K. Electric (New)				
				Macao Electric (Old)				
				Macao Electric (New)				
				Sandakan Lights				
				Telephones (old)				\$24
				Telephones (new)				\$10
				S'pore Tractions (Ord)				
				<b>Industrials</b>				
				Cald. Macg. (Ord.)				75 cts
				Cald. Macg. (Prof.)				\$17
				Canton Iron				\$8.10
				Cements				
				H.K. Ropes				
				H.K. Govt. Loans				
				4% Loan (1934)				34 1/2
				3 1/2% (1940)				34 1/2
				<b>Miscellaneous</b>				
				Dairy Farms				\$7.10
				Entertainments (old)				\$1.50
				Entertainments (new)				\$1
				Lane Crawford				\$71
				Nagyang Tobacco	\$3.80			\$2.15
				Sincere				\$10.00
				Watsons				25 1/2
				Ch. G. S. 1925 G.I.B.				\$30
				H.K. Wing On				\$14
				S'hai Wing On				\$2
				Vibro Piling				\$1.20
				Maraman Inv. (Lon.)				\$1.20
				Maraman Inv. (H.K.)				\$1.20
				Wm. Poyall				\$1.20
				China Light (Right)				\$1.20
				Sale to Shanghai				\$1.20

### NEW CHUNGKING VISUALISED

#### S'PORE MAGNATE IN COLONY

Mr. Aw Boon-haw, Chinese industrialist from Singapore, visualised a new and modern Chungking rising out of the ruins caused by Japanese devastating aerial attacks.

Mr. Aw who arrived in Hongkong from Chungking Sunday afternoon on account of slight indisposition after attending the inaugural meeting of the first plenary session of the 2nd People's Political Council, praised highly the confidence and energetic spirit of the people in China's wartime capital when interviewed regarding the impressions of his trip.

Mr. Aw declared that Japanese aerial bombings, though causing great sufferings to many people, are not without advantages. From the debris of the devastated areas, new and modern buildings are rapidly rising and widened streets are being constructed to replace the former narrow, labyrinthine ones. Within the short space of five years, he predicted, a better and modern Chungking will come to being.

Turning to the patriotic activities of the Chinese in British Malaya, Mr. Aw assured that they would continue their loyal and unreserved support to the National Government.

Mr. Aw had been in Chungking for 10 days, during which he called on Mr. Lin Sen, Chairman of the National Government, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and other high Government officials. (Central News)

### UNSUNG HEROES: RAIL WORKERS

Londoners gradually are learning of the silent, unsung heroes who are carrying on as usual watching for their safety.

The latest "Unknown Warriors" to be discovered are the humble railroad trackworkers.

These men, about whom little is heard, spend their time when they are not repairing the line watching for the safety of thousands of railroad passengers at the risk of their own lives, at a salary of some \$2 a week.

Under a ganger they are responsible for seeing that a section of the line, usually two miles, is clear of obstruction, and they do this at all times, even under the heaviest gunfire, when they get orders from the local signal box.

#### RECEIVE ORDER

Frequently they receive the order: "Bomb fallen near your section, investigate."

They work in pairs to look out that a train does not hurtle into

### GIANT TURTLE FOR SOVIET ZOO

One of the passengers on the trans-Siberian express running from Vladivostok to Moscow at the end of last month was a giant turtle weighing 270 lbs. covered by a shell 4 ft. 7 in. long and 2 ft. wide.

Caught by Soviet fishermen off Cape Crerk in the Japanese Sea about six weeks ago, the turtle arrived in Moscow none the worse for its 10-day journey in the baggage car.

But will it acclimatise itself to the new conditions? How will it react to the difference between sea depths and the relatively shallow pool in the Moscow Zoo?

The fact that this turtle is one of a rare species called caretta olivacea (the so-called loggerhead turtle) whose habits and behaviour are but little known complicates matters. All that reference books say is that this species is found in the Indian Ocean and that it comes to shore once a year for a few days to deposit eggs.

#### CARNIVEROUS

Drawing up a menu for the new inmate of the zoo became simple when it was established (from undigested remains of molluscs and octopuses) that the turtle is carnivorous.

The newcomer has at least one trait in common with all other turtles, namely, it expresses its displeasure by refusing to eat.

The longevity of turtles and their ability to do without food for a long time are well known. In the Paris Zoological Garden a turtle lived for seven years without food. But reluctant to take any chances with their new charge, the personnel of the Moscow Zoo feed it charge by force.

The federal advance report of field crops for 1940, shows the value of British Columbia's output as \$14,487,000, indicating an increase over the previous year of \$144,000. The main items are: hay and clover, \$3,580,000; potatoes, \$2,928,000; oats, \$2,137,000; alfalfa, \$1,727,000; wheat, \$1,449,000. Nine further items complete the total.

#### a bomb carter in the darkness.

When such an order is given all red lights are put on in this sector and trains are stopped. Then the trackworkers put on their steel helmets and quickly search their particular two-mile sector of the line.

If everything is all right the all clear signal is given and the train starts, but if their sector is hit help is quickly obtained and repairs are commenced.

No medals for these men.

"It's just a job of work that must be done," said one trackworker.



NO TWO WAYS ABOUT IT, IT'S THE SCOTCH.

### CO-ORDINATION OF CIVIL DEFENCE

Official confirmation was made available of an exclusive story published in the Malaya Tribune of the creation of a new Malayan Civil Defence post. The official communiqué stated:—

A new Department of Civil Defence has been created to co-ordinate civil defence plans and activities throughout Malaya. The head of the Department has the title of Commissioner for Civil Defence, Malaya, and the post has been filled by Mr. L. H. Gorsuch, M.C.S., the present Commissioner, Local Defence Corps, Malaya.

The Commissioner will act primarily as an inspecting and co-ordinating officer, working within the limits of policy and principle laid down centrally for Malaya with the approval of the Governor and High Commissioners.

He will visit all States and Settlements in order to supervise and inspect progress in the development of organisations and measures for civil defence.

The office of the Secretary for Defence, Malaya, will remain, as at present, the branch Secretariat through which all civil defence departments, including the new department, are linked to the Government.

The headquarters of the new Department are in Singapore in the Old Supreme Court.

### LONDON GOLD

London, Mar. 3 (Reuter).—Bar Gold, Fine per oz, 168/-

### PRE-PAID ADVERTISEMENTS.

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for hand-made sweaters, Ladies' jumpers, Babies' outfits, etc., at \$5.00 each for workmanship. Wool and mode desired, to be supplied by customer. Send particulars of address, etc., to Box 502, H.K.D.P.

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TEA DANCE DAILY EXCEPT MONDAYS 5 to 7.30 P.M.



## FOREIGN MARKETS &amp; QUOTATIONS

## MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS  
MARCH 4, 1941

On London:—	
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/27	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/27 3/4	
Credits 4 months' sight	
On Shanghai:—	
On demand..... 430	
On Singapore:—	
On demand..... 52 3/4	
On Japan:—	
On demand..... 102 1/2	
On India:—	
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/27	
and demand..... 38 1/2	
On New York:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 24 1/8	
Credits, 60 days' sight 24 7/8	
On Batavia:—	
On demand..... 45 1/4	
On Paris:—	
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.	
Credits 4 months' sight Nom.	
On Saigon:—	
On demand..... 104 1/2	
On Manila:—	
On demand..... 48 1/4	
On Bangkok:—	
On demand..... 140 1/2	
On Sterling Notes:—	
Bank Buying Rate..... Nom.	
Bar Silver per oz..... 33 5/16	

## Market Report

## FROM ROZA BROS.

Tuesday, Mar. 4.  
Silver prices dropped 1/16 yesterday for both deliveries, the quotations being 23 5/16 for Ready and 23 1/4 for Forward. Silver prices reported Speculators as having sold to a small extent. Support was poor. The market was steady but quiet. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.  
The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 403 1/2.

## MARKET

## STERLING

There were sellers at 1/3 March/June, buyers at 1/31/32 for any delivery.

## U. S. DOLLARS

A small business was done early in the morning at 24 7/16 for Cash. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 24 7/16 and probable buyers at 24 1/2 for Cash.

## SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 44 1/2. Business was arranged at various rates. The market closed with sellers at 44 1/2, buyers at 44 1/4.

## SHANGHAI MARKET

Erratic. Opened with indications of easiness with sellers of Sterling at 3 3/8 for Spot. Subsequently the rate receded to 3 2/3 and at the close sellers were again quoted at 3 3/8 for Spot. U. S. Dollars opened with sellers at 5 1/2. The lowest rate touched was reported at 5 1/16 and at the close at Noon there were sellers at 5 1/2 for Spot.

## AFTERNOON MARKET

The market was quiet in the afternoon.

## STERLING

There were sellers at 1/3 March/June, buyers at 1/31/32 for any delivery.

## U. S. DOLLARS

Sellers at 24 7/16 for Cash and possible buyers at 24 1/2 for Cash.

## SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Business was arranged at 42 1/2 and also 44 1/2. The market closed with sellers at 42 1/2.

## SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling at 3 3/8 and U. S. Dollars at 5 1/2, both sellers for Spot.

## Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Mar. 4 (Reuter).  
Official T.T. Rates

	Opening	Closing
London.....	0/3-5/16	
New York.....	5-3/8	
Japan.....	22-3/4	
India.....	18-3/8	
Hongkong.....	22	

## Sterling

	Opening	Closing
Spot.....	0/3-3/8	0/3-3/8
Mar.....	0/3-3/8	0/3-3/8
April.....	0/3-23/64	0/3-23/64

## U.S. Dollars

	Spot	Mar.	Apr.
Spot.....	\$5-1/2	\$5-1/2	\$5-1/2
Mar.....	5-1/2	5-1/2	5-1/2
Apr.....	5-15/32	5-15/32	5-15/32

## Market:—Quiet.

Silver Duty Rate  
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.  
The Equalisation rate was 23 1/2 per cent.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET  
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, March 3, 1941.	High	Low	Close	Prev. Today's	Change
New York Cotton, May.....	10.40	10.37	10.41	10.41	unch.
New York Rubber, May.....	20.65	20.80	20.70b	20.70b	unch.
Chicago Wheat, May.....	84	82 1/2	83 1/2	82 1/2	1/2 off
Chicago Corn, May.....	84	82 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	1/2 up
New York Hides, June.....	13.63	—	13.35	13.23	12 off

NEW YORK COTTON	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
March.....	10.43/43	10.40/41	10.41/41	.02 off
May.....	10.41/41	10.39/38	10.38/38	.03 off
July.....	10.31/32	10.28/28	10.30/30	.01 off
October.....	9.95 N	9.92/93	9.95/95	unch.
December.....	9.94/94	9.92 A	9.93 N	.01 off
January.....	9.93 N	—	9.91	.02 off
Spot.....	10.90	—	10.83	.07 off

Total sales Saturday:—40,600 bales.  
The last notice day for March Cotton is 14/3/41.

NEW YORK RUBBER	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May.....	20.70b/75a	20.70 B	20.70 B	unch.
July (New contract).....	20.20b/25a	20.25/25	20.20/20	unch.
September.....	20.00b/10a	19.80b/20.10a	19.97b/20.00a	.03 off
December.....	19.83 N	19.90 A	19.80 N	.03 off

Total sales:—80 tons.  
Saturday's sales:—8,695,000 bushels.

CHICAGO WHEAT	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May.....	83 1/2/83 1/2	83 1/2/83 1/2	82 1/2/82 1/2	1/2 off
July.....	79 1/2/79 1/2	79 1/2/79 1/2	78 1/2/78 1/2	1/2 off
September.....	79 1/2/79 1/2	79 1/2/79 1/2	78 1/2/78 1/2	1/2 off

CHICAGO CORN	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May.....	60 1/2/60 1/2	60 1/2/60 1/2	60 1/2/60 1/2	1/2 up
July.....	60 1/2/60 1/2	60 1/2/60 1/2	60 1/2/60 1/2	1/2 off
September.....	60 1/2/60 1/2	60 1/2/60 1/2	59 1/2/59 1/2	1/2 off

NEW YORK HIDES	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
June.....	13.35b/45a	13.35b/45a	13.23/27	10 off
September.....	13.35b/45a	13.35b/45a	13.23/24	10 off

NEW YORK COCOA	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May.....	6.18 N	6.21/21	6.21 N	.03 up

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May.....	2.24b/25a	—	2.18b/20a	.06 off
July.....	2.29b/30a	—	2.22b/23a	.07 off

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
May.....	76 1/2/77a	—	76 1/2/76a	.004 off
July.....	80b/81a	—	80b/80 1/2a	unch.

NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
July.....	11.73b/80a	—	11.72b/82a	.01 off
N.Y. Official Silver.....	unquoted	—	34-3/4	
N.Y.-London Cross-Rate.....	4.03-1/2	—	4.03-1/2	

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE  
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, Mar. 3.  
The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

	Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1924	23-25 1/2
Ger. 7% Ind. Loan, 1924	6	
Chartered Bank	7 1/2	
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn Reg.)	73	
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col Reg.)	75	
Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer)	17 1/2	
Chosen Corporation	4 1/2	
Mercantile Bank of India, 25, "G"	11-1/8	
Pekin Syndicate	1/8	
S'hai Elec. Constr. Co.	12 1/2	
S'hai Waterworks "A"	12	
Union Insurance	24	
Gula Kalumpung Rubber	15/9	
Lun, Mid. & Scot. Ry.	11 1/2	
Great Western Ry.	32 1/2	
National Bank of India	31	
B.-A. Tob (bearer)	83/9	
Dunlop Rubber	32/8	
Bristol Aeroplane	10 1/2	
Imperial Chemical Ind.	29/9	
United Steel	21 1/2	
Woolworths	51/9	
Maraman Investments	6/8	
Western Holdings	9/3	
Sub-Nigel	145/1	
Shell Trans. & Trad. (bearer)	43/9	
"-bid"	"-ex. div"	

## Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Mar. 3 (Reuter).  
T.T. on Japan, 81-1/4

## India Rupee Paper

Bombay, Mar. 3 (Reuter).  
Govt. 3 1/2 Rupee, 94-12-0.

## LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Mar. 3 (Reuter).  
Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle Price, \$284-1/4  
Tin, Standard, 3 months, Middle Price, \$263-7/8  
Market:—Dull.

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION  
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

MARCH 4, 1941

STOCKS	Last Sale	Mar. 3	STOCKS	Last Sale	Mar. 3
Adams Express.....	51		Loew's Inc.....	31 1/2	
Allegheny Steel Co.....	20 1/2		Loft Incorporated.....	16 1/2	
Allis-Chalmers.....	28 1/2		Mack Truck Inc.....	28 1/2	
Aluminum Ltd.....	72 1/2		Martin, Glen L.....	25 1/2	
Amer. Can.....	84 1/2		McKesson & Robbins, pf4	25 1/2	
American Cyanamid B.....	33 1/2		Montgomery Ward.....	36 1/2	
Amer. & Foreign Power.....	13 1/2		M'tain City Copper Co.....	3	
Amer. Locomotive.....	13		National Aviation.....	8 1/2	
Amer. Metals Co.....	17 1/2		Nat. Dairy Products.....	13 1/2	
Amer. Radiator.....	7 1/2		National Distillers.....	20 1/2	
Amer. Rolling Mill.....	12 1/2		National Lead.....	16 1/2	
Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co.....	39 1/2		Nat. Power & Light.....	4 1/2	
Amer. Sugar Refining.....	14 1/2		National Supply Corp.....	5 1/2	
Amer. Tel. & Tel.....	160 1/2		New York Central.....	12 1/2	
Amer. Tobacco "B".....	69		Niagara Hudson Power.....	2 1/2	
Amer. Waterworks.....	5 1/2		N. American Aviation.....	13 1/2	
Anacosta Copper.....	23 1/2		North American Co.....	15 1/2	
Armstrong T. & S. Fe.....	22 1/2		Northern Pacific.....	5 1/2	
Aviation Corp.....	3 1/2		Owens-Illinois Glass Co.....	43 1/2	
Baldwin Locomotive.....	14 1/2		Pacific Gas & Elec.....	26 1/2	
Baltimore & Ohio.....	3 1/2		Packard Motors.....	2 1/2	
Barber Asphalt Co.....	8 1/2		Pan-American Airways.....	12 1/2	
Barnsdall Oil.....	8 1/2		Paramount Pictures.....	10 1/2	
Bendix Aviation.....	34 1/2		Pennsylvania R.R.....	23	
Bethlehem Steel.....	76 1/2		Phillips Petroleum.....	36 1/2	
Bliss & Co.....	18 1/2		Public Service of N.J.....	26 1/2	
Boeing Airplane Co.....	15 1/2		Pullman Inc.....	23	
Borg-Warner.....	17 1/2		Pure Oil.....	7 1/2	
Briggs Mfg.....	20 1/2		Radio Corp. of Am.....	4 1/2	
Budd Manufacturing Corp.....	3 1/2		Reading Company, Com.....	13 1/2	
Canadian Pacific R'wy.....	34 1/2		Remington Arms Co, Inc.....	4 1/2	
Case, J.I.....	46 1/2		Republic Aviation Corp.....	3 1/2	
Celanese.....	23 1/2		Republic Steel.....	18 1/2	
Ghesapeake & Ohio.....	40 1/2		Revere Corp.....	8 1/2	
Chrysler Corp.....	64 1/2		Reynold Tobac. "B".....	32 1/2	
Columbia Gas & Elec.....	4		Safeway Stores.....	38 1/2	
Commercial Credit Co.....	30 1/2		Schenley Distillers.....	9 1/2	
Consolidated Edison.....	21 1/2		Sears Roebuck.....	7 1/2	
Consolidated Oil.....	5 1/2		Shell Union Oil.....	11 1/2	
Continental Can.....	37 1/2		Socoy-Vacuum Oil.....	8 1/2	
Continental Oil.....	17 1/2		Southern Pacific.....	8 1/2	
Copperweld Steel.....	14 1/2		Southern Ry 45 pf4.....	20 1/2	
Curtis Wright (C).....	8		Spicer Manufacturing Co.....	31 1/2	
Curtis Wright "A".....	26 1/2		Standard Brands.....	6 1/2	
Deere & Co.....	10 1/2		Stand Gas & Elec.....	7 1/2	
Distillers Corp. Seagrams.....	71		Standard Oil of California.....	18	
Douglas Aircraft.....	71		Standard Oil of N.J.....	34	
Du Pont de Nemours.....	144		Stone & Webster.....	6 1/2	
Eagle Picher Lead.....	9		Studebaker Corp.....	6 1/2	
Eaton Mfg. Co.....	30 1/2		Swift International.....	17 1/2	
Elec. Autolite.....	31 1/2		Technicolor.....	8 1/2	
Elec. Bond & Share.....	34		Texas Corp.....	35 1/2	
Elec. Bond & Share 35 pf.....	53 1/2		Texas Gulf Sulphur.....	35 1/2	
Elec. Bond & Share 36 pf.....	61 1/2		Timken-Axle.....	34 1/2	
Elec. Power & Light 37 pf.....	13 1/2		Trans-America Co.....	4 1/2	
Flintkote.....	50		20th Cent. Fox.....	5	
Gen. American Trans.....	32 1/2		Union Bag & Paper Corp.....	10 1/2	
Gen. Electric.....	42 1/2		Union Carbide & Carbon.....	64 1/2	
Gen. Motors.....	42 1/2		Union Pacific.....	78 1/2	
Gen. Railway Signal.....	12 1/2		United Aircraft.....	38 1/2	
Gen. Tire & Rubber.....	11 1/2		United Airlines Trans.....	12 1/2	
Glidden Co.....	12 1/2		United Corp.....	14	
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CAIRO, Mar. 4 (Reuter) — Hide-and-peek artillery duels, in which Italian gunners have shifted gun positions during darkness and concealed them in the scrub and rocky crevices, etc., and the sudden appearance of Imperial forces in places which the Italians had deemed inaccessible, have been features of the British siege of Keren, a railway town, which is proving one of the toughest nuts to crack in General Wavell's campaign against Italy's East African Empire.

Keren, 75 miles from Agnara, the Eritrean capital, is situated near peaks commanded by Italian artillery and anti-aircraft guns, with British artillery situated on other peaks some miles off. Despite the fact that the batteries are invisible to each other, the accuracy of the British "shooting" is remarkable.

Italy's best forces, including the Savoy Grenadiers, reinforced by extensive artillery, have been encircled in an area which might have been planned by nature as a perfect fortress.

Recently, a party of Highlanders and Sudanese troops were ambushed by the Italians but fought back and drove the Italians up the summit of a neighbouring ridge. There they found that although they were armed with the most modern weapons, tanks and armoured cars, in these conditions, the night presents undoubted advantages to the British.

CAIRO, Mar. 4 (Reuter) — In a sweep into Italian Somaliland, British troops have reached 80 miles beyond Mogadiscio and have occupied the villages of Duca, Degli and Abri. No change in the position in Eritrea, Libya or Abyssinia is reported in today's official communiqué.

WONDERFUL SHOOTING  
"It was wonderful shooting," one Highlander said. "Our boys planked the very first shells plumb on the Italians who soon packed up. Some surrendered, the others retreated."

The Sudan defence force throughout the campaign has done brilliant though little publicised work, their fast armoured cars whizzing among and around advanced Italian positions like fast motor boats, scattering the enemy in all directions.

The whole Eritrean campaign has been an outstanding example of Empire co-operation.

RESTRICTIONS REMOVED  
NAIROBI, Mar. 4 (Reuter) — Black-out restrictions, are being removed in Nairobi and the whole of the highlands area from today. Modified restrictions will be in force on the coast.

**INDOOR AIR RAID  
SHELTERS**

Success in the production of a satisfactory design for indoor air raid shelters was announced in the House of Commons by Mr Herbert Morrison, Home Secretary.

The indoor shelter is for installation on the lowest floor of two or three-storey houses, and will hold two adults and one older child or two younger children. Experience, Mr Morrison said, emphasised the advantages of an indoor shelter, affording the dispersal of warmth and dryness and avoiding leaving the house at night and the dislocation of family life.

Experience had also shown that the risk of indoor shelters was less than supposed, and that houses afford more protection than once thought. It being as yet not practicable to cover the whole country, certain areas have been selected for first distribution, and local announcements will be made at a later stage.

**HEAVY ATTACK ON  
INVASION PORTS**

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter) — The R.A.F. made a heavy attack on the invasion ports on the French coast last night.

From the south coast of England, the raid was clearly visible, but a stiff wind in the Straits muffled the sound of the explosions.

Above Calais and Boulogne, great flashes lighted up the sky and scores of searchlights were in action along 20 miles of the French coast.

**RESTRICTIONS ON  
ENTRY INTO BURMA**

CHUNGKING, March 4 (Central) — Chinese seeking entry into Burma, from Yunnan either by land or plane will hereafter have to bring passports bearing the visa of the British Consulate. Hitherto no passports have been required. Examination of passports will be conducted on the Yunnan-Burma border beginning from April 1.

**ANDERSON  
SHELTERS  
"ALL BLAH"**

Dr. T. L. Rose, who recently returned to Australia from London, said that the people of England had found that the Anderson (surface) type of air raid shelter was of little value. Advocacy of such shelters in Australia was "all blah."

Dr. Rose said that he had worked as a surgeon in the east end of London during the first six weeks of the blitzkrieg, and he was in a position to say that the morale of the population depended upon the degree of air raid precautions organisation and shelter protection given to the public.

**SAVED THOUSANDS**

"The A.R.P. organisation in England has saved countless thousands of lives," he said. Originally the population was provided with blast and splinter proof shelters of the Anderson and trench types.

"These were demolished by direct hits, and were the cause of a heavy death-roll. They were overcrowded and unhygienic, and provided no protection against the terrible noise of exploding bombs and anti-aircraft shells."

"London people took the situation into their own hands, and went to the tube stations for a night of peaceful sleep," he added.

**WEATHER REPORT**

Hongkong Royal Observatory

Barometer, (at sea level), 30.25 ins.

Temperature, 57 F.

Humidity, 76 per cent.

Wind Direction, NNE

Wind Force (Beaufort), 2.

Temperature: maximum yesterday, 58 F.

Temperature: minimum last night, 53 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today 0.68 ins.

Total rainfall since January 1st, 10.88 ins.

Against an average, of 3.18 ins.

Sunset tonight, 6.28 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 6.42 a.m.

4 p.m., March 4.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.15 ins.

Temperature 59 F.

Humidity, 73 per cent.

Wind Direction, ENE

Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.

Maximum temperature, 60 F.

Minimum temperature, 53 F.

Rainfall, nil.

**HONG KONG TIDE TABLE**

From 5 to 11 Mar. 1941.

Days of Week	Date of Month	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Wed.	5	h.m.	ft.	h.m.	ft.
		0112	4.3	0644	2.1
Thur.	6	0112	4.3	0657	2.0
		0205	2.9	0654	3.4
Fri.	7	0108	4.8	0727	2.9
		0420	3.8	0658	3.5
Sat.	8	1514	5.7	2354	3.6
Sun.	9	1617	6.0	—	—
		0802	4.0	0048	2.0
		1743	6.3	1107	3.8
Mon.	10	0807	4.3	0129	1.6
		1847	6.6	1228	3.6
Tues.	11	0927	4.8	0207	1.3
		1844	7.0	1337	2.1

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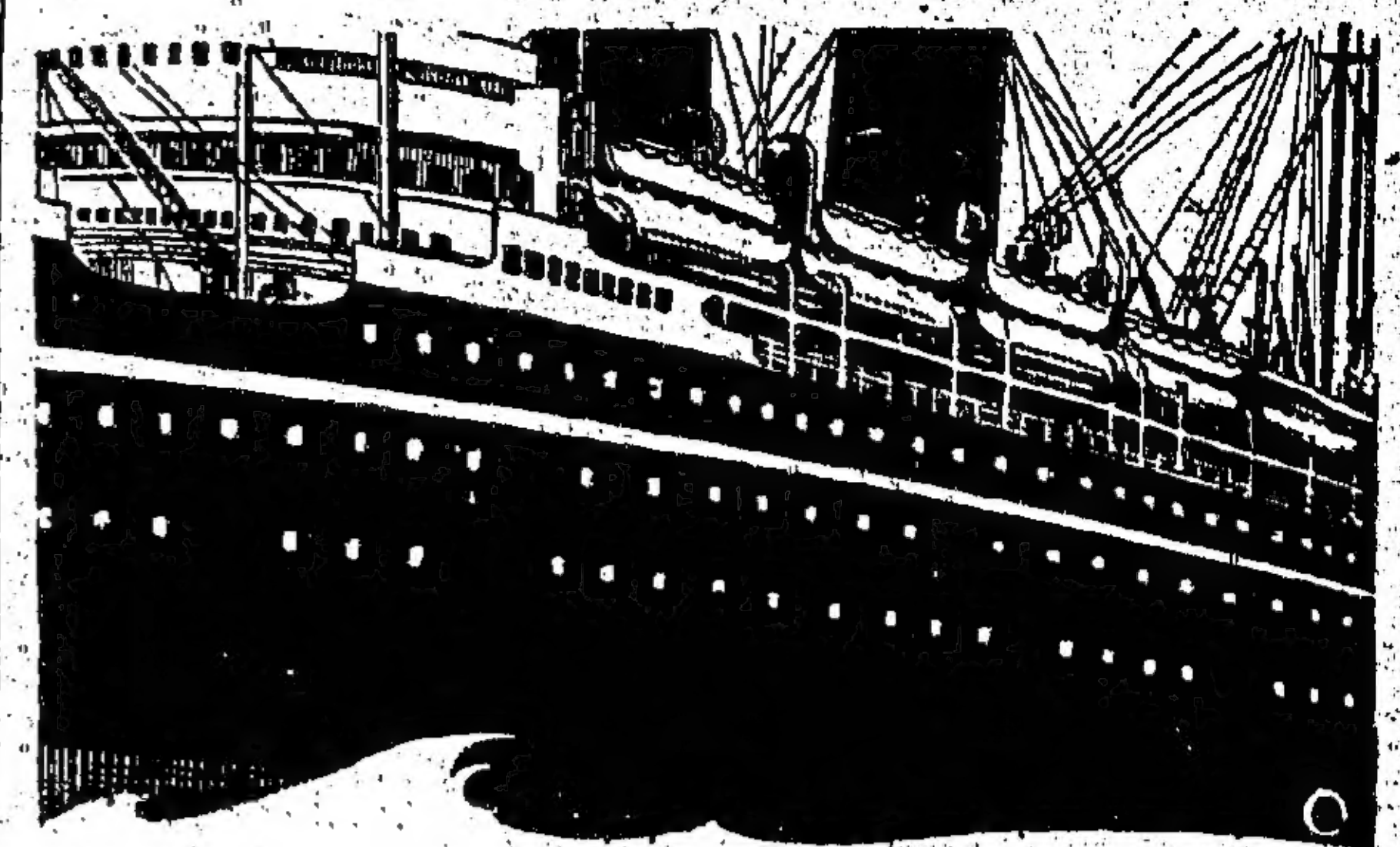
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# REPORT OF EVACUATION REPRESENTATION C'TTE

Continued from Page 6.

fourth paragraph of your letter under reference."

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient servant,  
C. BRAMALL BURGESS,  
for Colonial Secretary.

## NO FURTHER ACTION

Public opinion demanded that united protests should be made against the policy of compulsory evacuation, and the flagrant injustice of the manner in which the Hongkong Government has enforced this order. Although no satisfactory reply has been given to the protests, and in spite of the fact that the members of the Committee regard the tone of the reply quoted above as brusque and discourteous, they have decided to take no further action concerning these letters; nor do they wish to make further public pronouncements which might in any way embarrass the Government in the present critical times. All matters, however, pertaining to the comfort and well-being of the evacuees will continue to receive their constant care.

## ANOTHER LETTER

3. A further letter was sent on the same day to the Hon. Colonial Secretary as follows:—

Sir,—The Committee have directed us to communicate with you regarding the equitable sharing of the cost of maintaining the evacuated persons.

We would draw your attention to the fact that there are many husbands and fathers in Hongkong at present who are bearing a very heavy and inequitable financial burden due to having to support wives and families whose evacuation was ordered in July. Owing to (a) the necessity of maintaining two homes, (b) the higher cost of living in Australia, individuals find the cost of maintaining their households increased by amounts varying between £2 and £8 a week according to the size of their families.

2. It is clear that this expenditure in the maintenance of evacuation families is not the desire of the individuals who make it, nor can it be said to be offset in each individual case by a corresponding individual gain. If there is any gain accruing from the compulsory evacuation, as presumably the Government maintains there is, such gains must be not to certain individuals, but to the whole community. The price of the gain should therefore be borne by the community as a whole, in which event an equitable share would naturally be accepted by relatives of the evacuees.

That the evacuation of the families referred to was regarded by the Government as necessary as a defence measure for the Colony is stated in the cable reply of Lord Lloyd dated Dec. 14, 1940, to the Petition of the Evacuation Representation Committee. The same reason is implied in the point officially made that the evacuation was necessary in order to conserve the food supplies of the Colony. In this connection may we refer to His Excellency's open letter to the Hongkong newspaper.

If then the evacuation is regarded as having been done in the interest of the Colony in general and maintained for its interest, the Colony should bear its cost. It cannot be argued, we think, that a large proportion of the Community is Chinese and therefore cannot be expected to pay for the evacuation of European; for there has been no suggestion that the Europeans should not pay for other measures of defence designed to protect both themselves and the Chinese.

3. It is strongly urged therefore that steps be taken to transfer to the proper quarter, viz. the Colonial Treasury, the financial burden now borne alone by a relatively small number of Hongkong residents. It is suggested that this could be effected by making appropriate grants from the Hongkong revenues towards the cost of maintaining the evacuated families, the amount of the grant to cover the increased expenditure now borne by individuals as stated in paragraph 1 of this letter.

4. The way of carrying this out presents little difficulty, and the following considerations are suggested:—

(a) Class "C" accommodation of wives and families should be the basis used in calculating the cost of maintenance.

(b) There are some 1,500 persons to be dealt with, representing 800 families. Consideration of cases could be heard in Hongkong.

(c) Payments to the evacuated families could be easily made

through the sub-treasuries of the Commonwealth of Australia.

5. The Committee are not quite clear about the meaning of the statement that the Home Government are bearing the "cost of the evacuation scheme" in the cable reply by Lord Lloyd to the Petition submitted to him. We are under the impression that this must refer to the transit portion of the evacuation since in view of the facts and arguments set out in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this letter it cannot be said that the Home Government is bearing the total cost.

The Committee would be pleased to send a representative or deputations for an interview if there are any points in this letter which need clarifying.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,  
Your obedient servants,  
J. L. WILSON, Chairman,  
F. C. CLEMO, Hon. Secy.

## THE REPLY

To this letter the following reply was received:—

February 5, 1941.

Sir,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of Jan. 25, 1941, on the subject of the maintenance of evacuated families and to draw your attention to the notice which was published in the local press on Nov. 7, 1940, under the heading "Arrangements for Evacuees in Australia."

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient servant,  
C. BRAMALL BURGESS,  
Per Colonial Secretary.

## IRRELEVANT AND EVASIVE

The Members of the Committee regard this reply as irrelevant and evasive. They intend, therefore, to do what they can to educate public opinion to the grave injustice inflicted on a small minority who are being severely taxed for the benefit of the whole community. They intend to make earnest requests that all who have had to bear any additional expense, by reason of having obeyed the Government order to evacuate, shall receive monetary compensation irrespective of any "means test."

They feel sure that they will have an increasing weight of public opinion behind them in their submission that this infliction on a small section of the Community shall cease and that the entire cost of the Evacuation as affecting the individuals concerned shall be borne out of the Revenues of the Colony with or without a grant from the Home Government.

## SIGNATORIES

J. L. Wilson, J. P. Macgregor, J. F. Galvin, C. Terry, G. A. Christians, A. C. Jeffreys, F. C. Clemo, F. F. Duckworth, S. Simpson.

# New Zealand Farms Meet War Demand

WELLINGTON, New Zealand, Feb. 1.—Substantial success of the government's wartime farm production programme was described today by the new Agricultural Minister, James G. Barclay. He said the main feature of the programme was increase in animal products, which involved raising larger crops.

He asserted that there had been only one notable failure in this crop schedule. The North Island had been asked to raise 20,000 acres of barley, yet only 5,000 acres were sown.

## AMPLE CROPS

Crops harvested will be ample to feed the larger flocks, which the Dominion now possessed, he added. Lambing last Spring was the highest since 1936, and there are 750,000 more lambs on the farms than last year.

The key production plan of milk foods for Great Britain has been triumphantly fulfilled, the Minister said. The British asked for 15,000 tons more cheese this season and this already has been produced. Losses of foodstuffs on the way to Britain for London to request further attention to cheese production instead of butter, yet the butter output is being maintained.

## ADDITIONAL BACON

The British asked for an additional 10,000 tons of bacon a year, and killing for the three months ended Dec. 31 were 13,400 tons against 7,700 tons the year before. This increase was attained with-

# THE FIRST AIR BOMBER

Used By Mexican General

The first air bomber in military history was used in a Mexican revolution, according to Alphonse P. Ardourel, Mexican revolutionary, World War veteran and former adjutant-general of the Colorado National Guard.

And while the powerful bombers and fighting ships of warring European nations are more efficient, they lack the colour and the "power to throw the fear of God" into opposing forces like that first bomber, Ardourel related.

"The first attack ever made on land or sea forces from the air was in 1912," Ardourel said. "Alvaro Obregon and his Constitutionalists were camped at Maytura in Sonora, about 20 miles from Guaymas."

"General Obregon had tried to take Guaymas several times but had been driven back by shells from two federal gunboats, the Tampico and the Guerrero, which were anchored in Guaymas Harbour."

## GETS IDEA

Struck by a "novel idea," General Obregon employed Didier Madon, a French aviator, who later served with the Lafayette Escadrille in France and a mechanic John Dean, an Australian, according to Ardourel.

"When they joined the army, I helped make the bombs," the former National Guard commander continued. "We made them from pieces of three-inch lead pipe and loaded them with nitroglycerine. They weighed about 10 pounds each."

"On the day of the attack we got up on a hill near Guaymas to watch. Madon circled the federal gunboats and let fly with the bombs. He didn't make a direct hit, but he blew half the water out of Guaymas Harbour. The gunboats, unable to return the fire, pulled up anchor and left."

"Obregon was furious because they weren't sunk. When they came back a week later he ordered Madon to attack and sink them without fail."

"We made up more bombs. The federals, although they lacked angle guns, were ready this time, though. They had hauled field pieces up a mountain near the harbour and placed them in pits so they could get all angles."

"When the plane appeared over the harbour the field pieces let fly. Poor Madon and Dean were caught. They dumped their bombs and beat it."

"That's the first time anti-aircraft guns were used."

"Obregon told me right after and, fighting ships of warring and a new arm of warfare."

"He told me then that he believed if he could buy 20 aeroplanes he could win the war in 30 days."

# CHINA TO HAVE GENERAL CENSUS EVERY 10 YEARS

A series of regulations covering 25 articles and specifying that a general census is to be held throughout China every ten years was promulgated recently by the Chinese National Government.

The census will be held under the supervision of the Government's 'auditing Department,' and with the co-operation of local authorities.

Officials appointed to gather the information necessary to the census will maintain complete secrecy in regard to such information.

Chinese residents living abroad will be included in the census.

## RAN INTO CAR

Mr. E. C. Luscombe, A. S. F., reported that while he was driving his car No. 25 up Wellington Street about 9.25 a.m. yesterday a Chinese male ran into the side of the car and was knocked down. He refused to give his name or go to hospital.

Mrs. R. F. Luz, of No. 2, Peace Avenue, has reported the loss of money and clothing, to the value of \$94.

NAIROBI, Mar. 4 (Reuters).—Gen. Smuts, South African Premier, has arrived in Nairobi.

Mr. Barclay added: "He revealed that the Maoris are helping the farm programme by raising new corn crops."

# FOREIGN MAILS

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	Ord. 4.30 PM
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways"	4.30 PM
<b>SATURDAY</b>	
	Sat. 8th
	K.P.O.
	Reg. 4.00 PM
	Ord. 4.30 PM
	G.P.O.
	Reg. 4.00 PM
	Ord. 4.30 PM
Air Mail by Sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways"	4.30 PM
Straits	5.30 PM
<b>SUNDAY</b>	
	Sun. 9th
	5.00 PM
<b>MONDAY</b>	
	Mon. 10th
	K.P.O.
	Par. 8th 5.00 PM
	Reg. 8th 5.00 PM
	Ord. 10th 5.30 AM
	G.P.O.
	Par. 8th 5.00 PM
	Reg. 8th 5.00 PM
	Ord. 10th 5.30 AM
Straits and Parcels only for United-Kingdom, Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa	3.30 PM
	K.P.O.
	Parcels 4.00 PM
	Reg. 4.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O.
	Parcels 4.00 PM
	Reg. 4.00 PM
	Ord. 7.00 PM
<b>TUESDAY</b>	
	Tue. 11th
	G.P.O. & K.P.O.
	Reg. 10th 5.00 PM
	Ord. 11th 5.30 AM
	K.P.O.
	Reg. 10th 5.00 PM
	Ord. 11.00 AM
	G.P.O.
	Reg. 10.30 AM
	Ord. 11.00 AM
Air Mail by Sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways"	11.00 AM

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